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CORRECTIONS.

Pages 219, 225, *for* "Pamplona," *read* "Pampelonne in Navarre."

Page 264, cancel footnote.

Page 362, *for* "deaconesses," *read* "deanesses."

PREFACE.

Parts III and IV of Wykeham's Register are dealt with in this volume. They are bound up in one volume of 414 leaves, 14¼ ins. high by 10 ins. wide, written on both sides, with an average of 45 lines to a page. Part III contains a variety of instruments concerning the internal administration of the Diocese. Part IV contains instruments from without, such as crown and judicial writs, privy seals, and writs of summons to Convocation or Parliament, with a few miscellaneous documents. In both parts, more than 1800 documents are recorded, mostly uninteresting. The interest of any legal document consists in its effect, and not in its form.

The Register, although apparently perfect, must not be regarded as a complete record of the business of the episcopate. Some instruments, such as institutions, ordinations, and monitions of divers kinds, were inrolled as a matter of course; others were not, unless the parties required it. Thus we find the admissions of the first fellows of Winchester college (p. 456) and not the charter of foundation of the college; the swearing of canons of Southwick to say masses for the repose of the souls of Wykeham's parents in the chantry founded by him in Southwick priory church (p. 349), and not the foundation deed of the chantry in which the masses were to be said.

Any episcopal register necessarily exhibits the demerits rather than the merits of the clergy of the diocese. Among the shortcomings of Wykeham's clergy absenteeism is conspicuous. Monitions to reside, both general and particular, licenses of non-residence, and dispensations from the obligation of residence,

occur throughout Part III. Such licenses and dispensations were often granted in order to enable a young rector or vicar to finish his studies at one of the Universities, and were made subject to a proviso that the church should be efficiently served, and the accustomed hospitality of the parsonage house maintained during the absence of the incumbent (see an example, p. 14). To relieve wayfarers was in Wykeham's time, and earlier, the duty of every beneficed man. It will be seen in the case of the vicarage of Taunton (p. 420) on what a scale provision had to be made for the performance of this duty in a populous place.

The frequency of exchanges, alluded to in the preface to Vol. I, may have been due to something more than the restlessness of a celibate clergy, if we attach much weight to archbishop Courtenay's denunciation of "choppe churches" (p. 431). These were a class of clerics who, according to the archbishop, lived chiefly in London and occupied themselves in exchanging benefices for their own advantage. Either the archbishop's language is exaggerated, or dimissory letters were too easily obtainable.

The clergy bore their share of the burden of war with France in person as well as in purse. Mandates *pro arraiacione cleri* occur repeatedly, summoning the clergy and their people to arms for the defence of the coast of Hampshire, or of the Isle of Wight, which was actually raided in August, 1377, when the French came as far as Arreton (p. 273). A tenth was the usual war-tax, and it was levied on the *taxacio* or assessment of assessed benefices, which was always lower than the gross annual value, like "rateable value" in the present day. The machinery of collection was simple. In the province of Canterbury, whenever a tenth was granted by Convocation, the archbishop directed a mandate to the bishop of London, the bishop of London circulated it amongst the other bishops of the province, and the bishops of the province appointed collectors for each of their archdeaconries. Tenths were collected without difficulty;

but when the king imposed through Convocation a subsidy of £50,000 (p. 129) very great difficulty was experienced in collecting it, owing to the unaccustomed form of the impost, and to the fact of benefices not previously assessed, and the incomes of the stipendiary clergy, being included ; and the consequent delay in remitting the quota of the diocese seems to have afforded a handle to the political opponents of the bishop (pp. 577, 578), of which they were not slow to avail themselves.

Demands on the part of the pope had also to be met. There were procurations occasionally for the support of his nuncios, and in the year 1375 a subsidy of 100,000 florins towards expenses incurred in resisting invasions of the territory of the church. An appeal of Gregory XI to Wykeham to use his influence with the clergy to get this subsidy paid (p. 244) seems to have met with success (p. 246). The pope rested his appeal on the ground that the clergy of England were rich, and that the realm had not suffered from invasion. Let us see how rich the clergy were then. It will be seen (p. 129 note) that two tenths and half of a third tenth—that is to say a levy of twenty-five per cent.—were deemed sufficient to raise the subsidy of £50,000 granted in 1371. The assessable income of the clergy was therefore four times that sum, or £200,000, equivalent to £2,400,000 per annum in the money of our day. It appears (p. 247) that the bishop's quota of the halfpenny in the mark levied in 1374 for the expenses of a mission to Flanders was £9. 6*s.* 0½*d.* It may be inferred that his assessable income was £2976. 13*s.* 4*d.*, say £35,720 in our money. And this did not include fines, heriots, wardships, marriages, fruits of vacant benefices (of which he was entitled by custom to one half), and other casual sources of income. A procuration of a farthing in the pound on the goods of the bishop and clergy of the archdeaconry of Winchester yielded £20. 3*s.* 0¼*d.* (p. 228), indicating a revenue of £232,140 in the money of our day. The pope was not wrong when he described the clergy as rich.

The interests of the parochial clergy were guarded in various

ways. A priest who administered the sacrament of the Holy Communion to one of another parish without the leave of the incumbent incurred the greater excommunication (p. 365); parishioners who went to morning mass at a convent church or neighbouring chapel (pp. 220, 389) were admonished to attend the parish church; and parishioners who set up a chapel of their own three miles from the parish church were put under interdict and their chaplain was inhibited (p. 281), not on the ground of heterodoxy, but for subtracting the dues of the parish clergyman.

Cases of purgation occur here and there in Part III. Where one who was a clerk was indicted at the assizes, he was claimed by a representative of the bishop, who attended for the purpose, and committed to one of the bishop's prisons, where he lay, often for years, until an inquiry was directed; and then, if it appeared that the charge was not substantiated, or not a serious one (p. 305), he was allowed to discharge himself on oath, and go free, if the compurgators attending the inquiry so decided. This was the "privilege of clergy" in criminal matters; in civil matters, such as debt, the privilege was got over by the Court directing a writ to the bishop, who thereupon cited the clerk, and bound him over to appear in the action (p. 250).

The episcopate of Wykeham is chiefly memorable for his reconstruction of the fabric of the cathedral and the foundation of the two St. Mary Winton colleges. It will be seen in the course of this volume how the bishop began to make preparations for work on the cathedral as early as the year 1371; how work was suspended, and the citizens began to carry away the materials; and how twenty-three years later, after he had built and opened both his colleges, he returned to his work at the cathedral. Amongst instruments relating to his colleges will be found a contract with a teacher (grammaticus) for his school, dated in September, 1373, in which his school at Winchester is mentioned as already in existence at that early date (p. 195); evidence that the boys of that school were boarded somewhere

in the parish of St. John, without the ancient city boundary; and evidence of a preference for scholars from the parishes of Downton, Wilts, and Broughton, Oxon., which was not retained in the final edition of his statutes issued in the year 1400. And here it may be convenient to remark that the formal opening of his college at Winchester took place on Saturday, the 28th of March, 1394, and not on the 28th of March, 1393, as stated by bishop Lowth and other writers. Wykeham was at Wolvesey on the 27th of March, 1394, so that he may have been present at the opening ceremony, which took place at nine o'clock on the following morning, according to Heath's MS., printed in Moberly's *Life of William of Wykeham*, Appendix E, p. 333, second edition.

Evidence of the bishop's wisdom and goodness of heart will be found in his dealing with the cases of the absconding friar (p. 19), and the nun who had gone astray (p. 114). In the case of Marion de Rye (p. 77), which was a case of heresy, he appears in a sterner mood. He is a shrewd man of business in his settlement of accounts with the executors of his predecessor (p. 151), and a stickler for form in the amusing correspondence between himself and his old friend archbishop Sudbury (p. 239), on the question who should circulate the archbishop's mandate while the see of London was vacant. His tenacity of purpose is shown by the way in which he fought the case of St. Cross hospital (pp. 28–59) for seven years, until the liability of the master to account for the receipts and expenditure of the charity was established.

As many documents have been transcribed at length as space would admit. The editor has endeavoured to give the short effect of the rest; where so many documents are common forms one or two may serve as examples of a class. This is especially true of such documents as writs of summons to convocation and parliament, and of the mandates consequent on such writs. Few wills are inrolled, the fact of probate in many cases being all that is recorded: but where a will is inrolled, a version of it in

English is given in order to save space. One will, that of sir Luke de Ponynges (p. 256), is given in the original Latin.

An itinerary of the bishop, and a short account of some hospitals and religious houses mentioned in this volume and not in volume I, will be found in the Appendix.

In concluding his task the editor desires to repeat his thanks to the Lord Bishop of the diocese for continuing until now the privileges afforded by his lamented predecessor; and to acknowledge once more the courtesy of Charles Wooldridge, Esq., the diocesan registrar, during the preparation of this volume.

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WYKEHAM'S REGISTER.

PART III.

OFFICIAL INSTRUMENTS.

[1a.] INCIPIT tercia pars registri reverendi patris, domini Willelmi de Wykeham, Dei graciâ Wyntoniensis episcopi, in quâ describuntur bulle et litere apostolice, mandata dominorum Cardinalium, litere pro convocacione cleri, et commissiones, et alie litere ac alia memoranda tempore suo executa, et execuciones eorundem, licencie non residendi, et dispensaciones super defectu natalium, cum aliis ibidem particulariter designatis.

[TRANSLATION.]

Here begins the third part of the register of the reverend Father, Lord William of Wykeham, by the grace of God bishop of Winchester, containing bulls and apostolic letters, mandates of Cardinals, letters of summons to Convocation, commissions, letters, and other records of his time; likewise licences of non residence, dispensations in cases of illegitimacy, and other matters particularly set forth.

ENTHRONIZATION OF THE BISHOP.

On the 12th June, 1368, Raymund Pelegrini, canon of Anjou and vicar-general to Cardinal Peter, archdeacon of Canterbury, issued a commission to Thomas de Pechy, abbot of Hyde, William Clyve, abbot of Chertsey, m. William Askeby, archdeacon of Northampton, and ds. William de Mulsho, dean of St. Martin le Grand, empowering any one or more of them to enthrone and install the bishop.

Notarial certificate of his enthronement and installation by the archdeacon of Northampton in the presence of the prior of St. Swithun's, the abbots of Hyde and Chertsey, Sir John de

Clyntone, Sir Bernard Brocas, and Sir John de L'Isle, kts., and others unnamed *in multitudine copiosâ* on the 9th July, 1368, as certified by John de Corf and John de Kelleseye, notaries of the apostolic see.

Memorandum, quod venerabilis et discretus vir, m. Willelmus de Askeby, archidiaconus Norhamptoniensis in ecclesiâ Lincolniensi, constitutus personaliter in ecclesiâ Cathedrali Wyntoniensi in mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presenciâ, perlectâ primitus commissione venerabilis viri, m. Raymundi Pelegrini, canonici Andegavensis, reverendi patris domini Petri, tit. Sancte Marie Nove diaconi cardinalis, et archidiaconi Cantuariensis procuratoris, prefato m. Willelmo in hâc parte factâ, cuius commissionis tenor est talis :—

"Raymundus Pelegrini, canonicus Andegavensis, reverendi in Christo patris, domini Petri, Dei graciâ Sancte Marie Nove diaconi cardinalis, ac archidiaconi Cantuariensis vicarius et procurator in Angliâ generalis, ad infrascripta habens plenam potestatem, venerabilibus patribus et discretis viris abbati de Hydâ juxta Wyntoniam, abbati de Certeseye, m. Willelmo de Askeby, archidiacono Norhamptoniensi in ecclesiâ Lincolniensi, et domino Willelmo de Mulsho, decano S. Martini Magni Londonensis, salutem in Domino sempiternam.

"Ad intronizandum venerabilem patrem, dominum Willelmum, eâdem graciâ episcopum Wyntoniensem in suâ ecclesiâ, ipsumque in suam sedam episcopalem installandum, ac ab eo nomine dicti domini archidiaconi petendum, exigendum, et recipiendum omnia et singula, que racione intronizacionis et installacionis huiusmodi dicto domino archidiacono de consuetudine apostolicâ debentur, ac omnia alia agendum et expediendum, que circa premissa fuerint necessaria seu etiam oportuna, vobis conjunctim et divisim, et cuilibet per se, committimus vices nostras.

"In quorum testimonium presentibus sigillum nostrum apposuimus. Dat. London., duodecimo die mensis Junii, a. d. millesimo ccc^{mo} sexagesimo octavo": reverendum patrem dominum Willelmum, Dei graciâ Wyntoniensem episcopum, in ipsâ ecclesiâ intronavit, et eum in sede suâ episcopali ibidem installavit, posuit, et collocavit, et eum in corporalem possessionem

dicte ecclesie cum omnibus juribus et pertinenciis suis induxit, verba talia sic dicendo :—

"Auctoritate ecclesie Christi Cantuariensis te, dominum Willelmum, episcopum istius ecclesie rite electum, confirmatum, et consecratum, in possessionem eiusdem cum omnibus juribus et pertinenciis suis induco et intronizo. Dominus introitum tuum custodiat et exitum tuum ex hoc nunc et usque in seclum."

Et statim precentor incepit solempniter cantare *Te Deum Laudamus.*

Acta sunt hec nono die mensis Julii, anno domini millesimo ccc^mo^ sexagesimo octavo, in loco predicto, indiccione sextâ, pontificatûs domini Urbani pape quinti anno sexto, presentibus religiosis viris ff. Hugone,[1] priore ecclesie Cathedralis Wynton., Thomâ,[2] abbate monasterii de Hydâ, Roberto,[3] abbate monasterii de Certeseye, ac nobilibus viris Johanne de Clyntone, Bernardo Brocas, Johanne de Insulâ, militibus, et aliis religiosis et secularibus, in multitudine copiosâ, et Johanne de Corf et Johanne de Kelleseye notariis publicis et apostolicis, ad hoc rogatis et vocatis.

Ceremonial of Installation.

Sequuntur modus et forma traditi per prefatum Raymundum, procuratorem dicti archidiaconi, per quos procedi debeat ad installacionem episcoporum provincie Cantuariensis, sub hiis verbis.

Episcopus discalciabit se in aliquâ ecclesiâ vel domo ecclesie sue Cathedrali contiguâ, ad quam ecclesiam suam idem archidiaconus vel suus procurator ipsum conducet, et factâ devocione suâ in eâdem intrabit in vestibulum, et exutus capâ, capucio, birreto, cirotecis, que unus ex familiaribus archidiaconi unâ cum botis et capellâ saisibit pro domino suo predicto. Et idem episcopus pontificalibus indutus per ipsum archidiaconum debet adduci ad sedem, in quâ debet intronizari, et ipsum episcopum reverenter amplexando et sic dicendo "Auctoritate ecclesie Christi Cantuariensis te, dominum *Willelmum*, in episcopum istius ecclesie rite electum confirmatum et consecratum, in possessionem eiusdem cum omnibus juribus et pertinenciis suis

[1] Hugh de Basynge (1361–1384). [2] Thomas de Pechy (1362–1381).
[3] Not Robert, but William Clyve (1361–1370).

induco et intronizo. Dominus introitum tuum custodiat et exitum tuum ex hoc nunc et usque in seclum," et ipsum sedere faciat in sede predictâ, precentore incipiente *Te Deum Laudamus.* Hiis completis, idem episcopus preparabit se ad celebrandum magnam missam in eâdem ecclesiâ.

[TRANSLATION.]

Here follow the mode and form of installing bishops of the province of Canterbury, according to instructions received from Raymund Pelegrini, proctor for the archdeacon of Canterbury. The bishop shall change his shoes in some church or building near the Cathedral church, to which the archdeacon or his proctor shall then conduct him; and after making his offering, the bishop shall enter the porch, and there be stripped of his cope, hood, cap and gloves, which one of the archdeacon's people shall seize as his master's perquisite. And then shall the bishop be robed in pontificals, and the archdeacon shall lead him to the throne, and embracing him reverently, shall say, "By the authority of Christ's church of Canterbury I induct and enthrone thee, lord *William*, duly elected, confirmed, and consecrated bishop of this diocese, into possession of the same, and of its rights, members, and appurtenances. The Lord keep thy coming in and thy going out from this time forth, now and evermore."

And, as the bishop takes his seat on the throne, the precentor shall begin *Te Deum Laudamus*, which sung, the bishop shall make himself ready to celebrate High Mass.

[**1b.**] Powers conferred on archdeacon of Winchester's official.

Willelmus, permissione divinâ Wyntoniensis episcopus, dilecto nobis in Christo m. Johanni Corf, canonico Wellensi, clerico nostro, salutem graciam et benediccionem. De vestris consciencie puritate et circumspectâ prudenciâ plenam in Domino fiduciam obtinentes, ad cognoscendum, procedendum, statuendum, et diffiniendum in quibuscunque causis et negociis, sive ex officio nostro, sive ad partium instanciam, in curiâ nostrâ pendentibus indecisis et etiam de novo inchoandis, dictaque causas et negocia audiendum et fine debito terminandum cum suis emergentibus, dependentibus, incidentibus, et connexis, vobis tenore presencium committimus vices nostras, cum cuiuslibet cohercionis canonice, et exequendi que in hâc parte decreveritis, potestate.—Southwark, 20 October, 1367.

Purgation[1] of Roger Dykeman. Dykeman was indicted for stealing from the garden of Thomas Milward, in Aldgate St., three sheets, a tablecloth, and a towel, value 4*s.*; and claiming the privilege was committed to the custody of the bishop.[2] Commission to the dean of Southwark to hold the inquiry, and if the charge appears not to be of a grave character, to cause proclamation for opposers to be made.

Willelmus etc. dilecto in Christo filio decano de Suthwerke nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Cum nuper Rogerus Dykeman, clericus, fuisset super eo, quod quoddam gardinum Thome Milwarde de Algatestrete in Comitatu Midelsex, intravisset, et ibidem tria lynthiamina et unam mappam cum manutergio, precii quatuor solidorum, de predicto Thomâ felonicè furatus fuisset, indictatus et diffamatus, et super hoc coram senescallo et marescallo ac Thomâ de Frowyk, coronatore hospicii domini nostri regis, impetitus, tandem custodie nostre carcerali per eosdem senescallum, marescallum, et coronatorem, tanquam clericus extitit, liberatus, uno modo vel alio juxta leges ecclesie in foro nostro ecclesiastico judicandus:

Nos volentes super predictâ infamiâ effici certiores, vobis committimus et mandamus, firmiter injungentes, quatenus super prefatâ infamiâ, an sit gravis vel levis, et a quibus fidedignis vel emulis dicti Rogeri ortum habuerit, per viros fidedignos

[1] This was early known as the benefit of clergy. The privilege of clerks in this respect was confirmed and enlarged by Stat. 45 H. III, A.D. 1261, which says that clerks shall not be unjustly seized or detained from the ordinary, under pain of excommunication, following the Constitution of Boniface of the same year (Gibs., p. 1121). By Stat. 3 Ed. I, c. 1, clerks convicted of felony shall be delivered to the ordinary, and by Stat. 9 Ed. II, c. 16, the ordinary demanding this privilege shall not be denied, even in case of clerks confessing felony. And see Stat. 25 Ed. III, c. 4. But by Stat. 3 Ed I, c. 2, a clerk so delivered to the *Custodia Carceralis* of the ordinary (who had, as we shall see presently, to provide a prison for his reception) shall not depart without due purgation on oath. Purgation, says Ayliffe (Parergon, p. 448), is where a clerk in orders that is "defamed" or accused of any crime, and being a churchman cannot be convicted thereof, is compelled to show his own innocence by the oaths of a number of "Compurgators" or credible persons inhabiting in his neighbourhood, he swearing first that he did not commit the crime, and they swearing after him that they believe him to be speaking the truth. Purgation was not enjoined upon bare suspicion; and the ordinary might hold the preliminary inquiry into the truth or falsity of the charge, and then not enjoin purgation, if he did not find grounds to warrant it (Gibs., 1132). The practice in Wykeham's time seems to have been as follows. After a clerk had been committed to the bishop's custody, the official held an inquiry: and if the charge appeared to be not a serious one, or not well substantiated, purgation was allowed. It was only by purgation that such a clerk could have his discharge, and many of them lay in prison for years before the bishop judged that the time for the inquiry had come.

[2] By the Constitutions of archbp. Boniface, A.D. 1261, every bishop shall have one or two prisons to receive criminous clerks (Gibs. 1032). The prison in this instance was probably at Guildford. The clerical prison for the archdeaconry of Winchester was at Wolvesey.

et juratos ac diligenter examinatos prudenter et solicitè inquiratis; et si per eandem inquisicionem dictam infamiam inveneritis fore levem, faciatis in ecclesiis decanatûs predicti tribus diebus dominicis seu festivis inter missarum solempnia palam et publicè proclamari in genere: et si qui aparuerint in specie, peremptoriè citari omnes et singulos qui dictum Rogerum super prefato crimine accusare voluerint, seu contra purgacionem eiusdem Rogeri quicquam canonicum obicere, quare ad recepcionem purgacionis eiusdem Rogeri in hâc parte procedere minimè debeamus, quod compereant coram nobis vel nostro ad hoc commissario speciali secundo die juridico post festum S. Hillarii proximè futuro in ecclesiâ nostrâ Cathedrali Wyntoniensi, quicquid in hâc parte contra dictum Rogerum obicere voluerint propositurí, allegaturi, et accusacionem suam, si quam super hoc instituere decreverint, prosecuturi, facturi quoque ulteriùs in dicto negocio et recepturi per omnia quod qualitas dicti negocii exigit et ordo dictavit racionis.

Denuncietis insuper eisdem palam et publicè, seu denunciari faciatis, quod sive in dicto termino comperuerint sive non, ulteriùs in dicto negotio, quantum de jure potuerimus, procedemus, ipsorum absenciâ seu contumaciâ non obstante. De diebus verò recepcionis presencium proclamacionum citacionum et denunciacionum vestrarum, modo et formâ earundem, et si quem in hac parte oppositorem seu contradictorem inveneritis specialem, et qualiter premissa omnia et singula fueritis executi, unâ cum nominibus ecclesiarum quibus facta fuerit execucio predictorum, nos aut nostrum commissarium dictis die et loco clarè et plenariè certiores reddatis literis vestris patentibus habentibus hunc tenorem.—Southwark, 20 Nov., 1367.

The dean of Southwark made a return, 20 December, that he held an inquiry and caused proclamation to be made in the churches of St. Margaret and St. George, Southwark; St. Mary Magdalen, Bermondsey; and Rotherhithe, but no one came.

[4a.] Commission to John de Wormenhale (Vol. I, p. 1) and John de Ware to receive above return, and in the absence of opposers (as was the case) to admit Dykeman to purgation by the oath of twelve clerks of his own order:—

Ad recipiendum certificatorium proclamacionum et accionum tam officialis archidiaconi Londoniensis quam decani de Suthwerke in hâc parte solempniter factarum, et ad audiendum quoscunque dictum Rogerum super premissis accusare volentes, seu quicquam contra ipsum objicientes seu allegantes et dicentes, seu se velle dicere, objicere, vel allegare, asserentes; et super hiis omnibus tam dicto Rogero clerico quam aliis quibuscunque justicie plenitudinem per omnia exhibendo, necnon in eventu quo nichil contra eundem Rogerum super premissis per modum accusacionis vel aliter dictum vel allegatum fuerit vel objectum, ad indicendum eidem Rogero purgacionem super premissis cum duodecimâ manu clericorum sui ordinis habendam, dictamque purgacionem solempniter et debite faciendam in formâ juris admittendum, ipsumque bone fame sue restituendum et reducendum, et omnia alia et singula facienda et expedienda in premissis et quolibet premissorum que ea contingunt, et que ad eorum execucionem plenariam, justam, et debitam de jure vel consuetudine requisita, eciam si commissionem exigant specialem, vobis communiter et divisim vices nostras tenore presencium committimus, etc.—Southwark, 3 Jan., 1367–8.

[2a.] Prioress of Wintney licensed to receive Sir John Foxley's sister as a paying guest.[1]

Willelmus, etc., dilectis in Christo filiabus priorisse etc. s. g. et b. Fusis nobis precibus per dilectum nostrum dominum, Johannem Foxele militem, vicinum vestrum[2] et amicum, favorabiliter inclinati, ut Beatrix Paynell, soror sua, mulier Deo devota, ut asseritur, et honesta, a die date presencium usque ad festum S. Johannis Baptiste proximè futurum in domo vestrâ predictâ morari possit suis sumptibus propriis et expensis, absque tamen dispendio religionis vestre, vobis eam recipiendi, et sibi inibi morandi licenciam, quantum ad nos attinet, tenore presencium concedimus specialem.—Southwark, 20 December, 1367.

[1] The rule of St. Benedict forbad visitors to a house of that order (such as Wintney Priory was) being received, even on payment, without special license. The bishop must have had this rule in his mind when he prescribed in his statutes for Winchester College (rubric xvii) that no stranger shall be at liberty to stay more than two days within the walls of the College, even on terms of payment for his commons.

[2] Sir John Foxley lived at Bramshill, about four miles from the priory. The great house there was built by his father, Thomas de Foxley, who had the commission to build at Windsor for Edward III in 1351.

Commission to inquire whether the chantry of West Stratton be vacant and who is patron.

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio archidiacono nostro Wyntoniensi, vel eius officiali, s. g. et b. Volentes certis de causis nos ad hoc moventibus de vacacione cantarie perpetue de Weststrattone[1] infra parochiam de Mucheldevre, nostre diocesis, et de jure patronatûs eiusdem, effici certiores, vobis conjunctim et divisim firmiter injungendo committimus et mandamus, quatenus, rogatis primitùs ad hoc de jure rogandis, tam de vacacione dicte cantarie, qualiter et quo tempore inceperit vacare, quis erat ultimus capellanus in eâdem institutus, quis vel qui sit patronus aut sint patroni eiusdem cantarie, et quis ultimò presentaverit ad eandem, in quibusve porcionibus consistat, cuiusve valoris annui sit aut taxe, si taxata fuerit[2] necnon, si sit porcionaria aut pensionaria,[3] et si sit, cui aut quibus, et in quanto, ac de aliis articulis in hâc parte debitis, et circumstanciis consuetis per rectores et vicariis decanatûs in quo dicta cantaria consistit, inquisicionem facias diligentem. Et que per eam inveneritis, nos per literas vestras clausas, harum seriem continentes, sigillo vestro signatas, huiusmodi expedito negocio, distinctè et aptè certificetis, vel certificet ille, qui premissa fuerit executus.—*Ib.* 14 October.

Rector of Puttenham appointed sequestrator for the archdeaconry of Surrey.[4]

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio m. Roberto, v. ecclesie de Potenham, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. De vestris fidelitate et industriâ confidentes, ad colligendum, custodiendum, et sequestrandum medietatem quorumcunque fructuum, reddituum, et proventuum beneficiorum ecclesiasticorum quorumcunque, que per seculares clericos solent regi in archidiaconatu Surreiensi, nostre diocesis,

[1] The patron in 1398 was John le Wayte. Vol. I, pp. 217, 237, 242.

[2] Benefices under a certain annual value were early discharged from tenths. See Appendix I to Vol. I, *passim*. So by Stat. 5 Anne, c. 4, all livings under £50 annual value are discharged from first fruits. A similar exemption from land tax (the successor of tenths) exists in the case of certain livings under £150 per annum.

[3] Whether the endowment was a portion of tithe (Vol. I, p. 23 *n.*) or a pension charged on a benefice.

[4] The sequestrator's duties are set forth in this instrument. The chief duty of this officer was to collect the Bishop's portion (in this See a moiety) of the fruits of vacant benefices, which were his by custom. It is provided by a Constitution of Othobon (A.D. 1268) that bishops shall not take the revenues of vacant churches in their dioceses, unless they have a right by privilege or custom.—Gibs., 748.

qualitercunque vacancium, et eorundem custodiam, dum vacaverint, pro parte que ad nos pertinet debitè supportandum, de fructibus etiam, redditibus, et proventibus huiusmodi et aliorum beneficiorum ecclesiasticorum in dicto archidiaconatu qualitercunque vacancium, ad nos de jure vel consuetudine spectantibus, inquirendum, huiusmodique fructus, redditus, et proventus vice nostrâ sequestrandum, ipsiusque sequestri custodiam, quibus vobis expedire videbitur, committendum, necnon sequestrum in quibuscunque casibus nobis de jure vel consuetudine concessis, interponendum. Ad inquirendum insuper de bonis intestatorum quorumcunque decedencium infra dictum archidiaconatum, vel alibi, habencium tum bona ibidem tempore mortis sue, et ad quorum manus bona huiusmodi devenerint, ipsaque bona sequestrandum et colligendum et salvò custodiendum, ac quorumcunque rectorum, vicariorum, et aliorum subditorum nostrorum archidiaconatûs predicti decedencium testamenta, quorum probaciones ad nos de jure vel consuetudine pertinere dinoscuntur, in formâ juris approbandum ; intimaciones eorundem admittendum, et recepto calculo eorundem acquietacionem faciendum, probacionibus testamentorum militum et dominarum in dicto archidiaconatu decedencium nobis specialiter reservatis ; necnon ad exequendum omnia alia et singula, que in hâc parte necessaria fuerint vel etiam oportuna, prout nobis de premissis respondere et racionem reddere volueritis, cum requisiti fueritis, vobis vices nostras committimus, cum cohercionis canonice potestate, vosque nostrum sequestratorem generalem per archidiaconatum predictum deputamus per presentes, quamdiu nobis placuerit valituras.—*Ib.*, 2 November.

[**2b.**] A similar appointment of m. John de Ware, r. of Wonston, for the archdeaconry of Winchester.

Appointment of John de Molyngtone to be Apparitor-General.[1]

[1] By the Constitutions of Archbp. Boniface, A.D. 1261, apparitors coming to the houses of clergy shall demand nothing, but take thankfully what is set before them ; and shall not denounce sentences without the letters of their masters, upon pain that the sentences be null and the apparitors punished. And by a Constitution of Archbp. Stratford, A.D. 1342, bishops shall have but one riding apparitor, and an archdeacon but a walking one, for each deanery, who shall not be burdensome to the clergy, upon pain of suspension of archdeacon as well as apparitor. And later, by Canon CXXXVIII of 1603, the number of apparitors is restrained, and it is decreed that apparitors shall execute their office in person, and not be promoters or informers for the court, or take undue fees (Gibs., 997–8). It was an unpopular and sometimes dangerous office to hold in the bishop's day. Molyngtone was killed in the execution of his duty, as will be seen further on.

Willelmus, etc., dilecto nobis in Christo Johanni Molyngtone, literato, s. g. et b. Officium apparitoris nostri principalis in diocese nostrâ Wyntoniensi, ut illud debitè exerceas, et absque acceptacione personarum et sordibus munerum[1] ipsum ubilibet in nostris civitate et diocese fideliter exequaris, juxta consuetudinem in huiusmodi officio exercendo hactenus usitatam, tibi de fidelitate et circumspectâ prudenciâ plurimum commendato committimus, et te apparitorem nostrum principalem usque ad nostre voluntatis beneplacitum constituimus et specialiter deputamus, recepto per nos a te juramento corporali in huiusmodi officio consueto prestari, quod prudenter et fideliter exequeris officium prelibatum. Mandamus insuper universis et singulis subditis nostris, ut tibi tanquam apparitori nostro huiusmodi in hiis, que ad idem officium pertinent, pareant efficaciter et intendant.—*Ib.*, 19 January, 1367–8.

Excommunication denounced against trespassers on the estates of Waverley abbey.

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis archidiaconis nostris, eorum officialibus, decanis, ecclesiarum rectoribus et vicariis, ac capellanis parochialibus per nostram diocesim constitutis, s. g. et b. Experienciâ docente didicimus, quam sit exuberans contra viros ecclesiasticos, presertim religiosos, malicia plurimorum, dum suis finibus non contenti ad illicita frena relaxant, nec attendunt, quam sit eis in clericos sive ecclesiasticas personas et bona ecclesiarum interdicta potestas. Hoc sancti patres[2] prudenter intelligentes providè statuerunt, quod si quis de domibus, maneriis, grangiis aut locis aliis ad archiepiscopos, episcopos, aliasve personas ecclesiasticas, vel ad ipsas ecclesias pertinentibus, quicquam preter voluntatem aut permissionem dominorum, vel eorum qui sunt huiusmodi rerum custodiis deputati, consumere, auferre, vel contrectare presumpserit, abstrahi, consumi, vel contrectari fecerit, seu huiusmodi abstraccionem, consumpcionem, vel contrectacionem nomine suo, vel a familiaribus suis, factam

[1] Where the law imposes a duty upon an officer, he cannot claim a remuneration for fulfilling it, unless the law has expressly conferred such a right.—4 *Comyns' Digest*, tit. "Extortion," 428.

[2] By a Constitution of Archbp. Boniface, A.D. 1261, invaders of the goods and liberties of the church shall be declared excommunicate; and, not restoring in one month, be put under interdict.—Gibs., p. 13.

ratam habuerit, sic ipso facto tanquam violator libertatis et immunitatis ecclesie maioris excommunicacionis summam incurrat.

Exparte cum religiosorum virorum abbatis et conventûs de Waverlegh, ordinis Cisterciensis, nostre diocesis, graviter conquerendo nobis extitit intimatum, quod nonnulli, quorum nomina ignorantur, domus, maneria, grangias, et loca alia ad ipsos et eorum predictum monasterium spectancia in nostrâ diocesi constituta ingredientes, bona ipsorum religiosorum in dictis eorum locis existencia preter et contra ipsorum et custodum eorundem permissionem et voluntatem auferre, abstrahere, consumere, et contrectare presumpserunt, abstrahi, consumi, et contrectari fecerunt, seu huiusmodi abstraccionem, consumpcionem vel contrectacionem nomine suo, vel a familiaribus suis factam ratam habuerunt, dictam maioris excommunicacionis summam incurrendo. Super quibus dicti religiosi sibi petebant per nos de oportuno remedio providere.

Nos igitur, volentes constituciones sanctorum patrum super hiis editas execucioni debite, prout nostro incumbit officio, demandare, vobis universis et singulis etiam divisim firmiter injungimus, quatenus omnes et singulos prefatos excessus contra libertatem ecclesiasticam, ut premittitur, committentes, seu committi facientes in dictum excommunicacionis summam incidisse, et sic excommunicatos fore, quociens per partem dictorum religiosorum fueritis congruè requisiti, in ecclesiis et locis vobis subditis palam et publicè in genere nuncietis, seu faciatis per alios nunciari; de nominibus insuper et cognominibus omnium et singulorum dictos excessus contra libertatem ecclesiasticam, ut premittitur, committencium, quociens opus fuerit, solicitè inquiratis, et nos inde clarè et specificè certiores reddatis, per dictos religiosos requisiti, literis vestris patentibus habentibus hunc tenorem.—*Ib.* 20 Jan.

[3a.] License for collectors[1] of alms to maintain the lights on the altars in Winchester Cathedral.

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis abbatibus, prioribus, archidiaconis, et eorum officialibus, et decanis, rectoribus, vicariis, et

[1] Quaestores. Qui in ecclesiis inter officiorum divinorum solemnia pro se vel aliis elemosynas deposcunt (Du Cange). These letters of licence were the original of briefs, which Dr. Johnson describes as "letters patent, giving license to a charitable collection for any public or private loss."—See Stat. 4 and 5 Anne, c. 14.

capellanis parochialibus, exemptis et non exemptis, per civitatem et diocesim nostram Wyntoniensem constitutis, s. g. et b. Et si quibuslibet pietatis opera debeantur, domesticis tamen, et hiis a quibus beneficia ampliora recepimus, ea primò tenemur exsolvere ex ordine caritatis.

Cum igitur ecclesia nostrâ Cathedralis Wyntoniensis sit mater in Christo omnis civitatis nostre et etiam diocesis et subditorum, eosdemque oriri tales filios affectu materno studeat, habundantibus suffragiis Deo negocia commendare dignum est ipsam, in suis oportunitatibus filiorum suorum provisionibus congruis consolari. Vestre igitur devocioni vobis omnibus supplicamus, vosque animarum vestrarum salute exhortamur in Domino, et nichilominus in virtute obediencie firmiter injungendo monemus, quatenus cum vel procuratores seu nuncii dilecti filii sacriste ecclesie nostre predicte ad vos, ecclesias, locaque vestra venerint, fidelium elemosinas in subsidium luminarium eiusdem ecclesie et aliorum Deo acceptorum operum eidem sacriste incumbencium petituri, ipsos studeatis benignè accipere et tractari, et huiusmodi ecclesie nostre negocia intra missarum solemnia et extra, ac omnibus aliis horis et locis competentibus, quociens et quando sibi meliùs videbitur expedire, populo per se permittatis exponere, vel vos, si hoc voluerint, exponatis; nullusque in ecclesiâ, ad quam pro huiusmodi ecclesie nostre exponendis negociis venerit, die illo missam clam vel palam, per quod dictum negocium impediri poterit, vel eidem prejudicium aliquod irrogari, celebrare presumat, nec quivis questor alius admittatur; ac singulis annis a septuagesimâ usque pascha ipsius ecclesie nostre huiusmodi negocia cessantibus interim quibuscunque aliis questoribus premoneri volumus et etiam precaveri.

Et quicquid huiusmodi in graciâ dicto tempore collectum fuerit, seu colligi poterit in futurum, huiusmodi procuratoribus seu nunciis sub penâ excommunicacionis maioris integrè liberetis,[1] collectas insuper inter vos factas per questores alios tempore supradicto auctoritate nostrâ per vos et vestrum quemlibet volumus sequestrari, et sacriste ecclesie nostre predicte in eventu integrè liberari.

[1] The practice of taxing special collections for local wants was not unknown, it would seem, in the bishop's time.

Vosque rectores, vicarii, et capellani parochiales, tanquam obediencie filii, parochianos vestros in ultimis laborantes cum solicitudine debitâ in remissionem peccatorum inducatis, ut de bonis a Deo sibi collatis luminaribus dicte matris ecclesie convenientem in suo testamento relinquant porcionem. Et si aliqua ecclesia nostre diocesis auctoritate nostrâ fuerit interdicta seu penitencia viris aut inhibicio nobis subditis pro commissis injuncta, die quo contigerit dictos procuratores seu nuncios vel unum eorum predicte matricis ecclesie negociis expediendis ibidem adesse, interdictum huiusmodi, quo ad diem illum, relaxamus, et penitenciam illius diei remittimus, ob reverenciam ecclesie supradicte.

Et ut ad id mentes vestre et aliorum fidelium propensiùs excitentur, de Omnipotentis Dei misericordiâ et gloriose semper Virginis Marie, genitricis sue, beatorum apostolorum Petri et Pauli, sanctorumque confessorum Birini, Swithuni, Athelwoldi, et Hedde, patronorum nostrorum, necnon omnium sanctorum meritis et precibus confidentes, omnibus nobis nostre diocesis subjectis et aliis, quorum diocesani hanc nostram indulgenciam ratam habuerint et acceptam, de peccatis suis contritis penitentibus et confessis, qui ad dictam ecclesiam nostram cathedralem causâ devocionis seu peregrinacionis accesserunt, et ad veneracionem reliquiarum seu sustentacionem luminarium dicte ecclesie et ipsius fabricam de bonis sibi a Deo collatis contulerunt seu legaverunt subsidia caritatis vel aliquo alio pietatis titulo manus porrexerunt adjutrices, quadraginta dies de injunctâ sibi penitenciâ misericorditer relaxamus,[1] ratificantes omnes indulgencias a quibuscunque patriarchis, legatis, archiepiscopis, et episcopis Catholicis huiusmodi rei graciâ rite concessas et nostris temporibus concedendas.—*Ib.*, 18 January.

[**3b.**] Dean of Winchester[2] and ds. John Holewale, warden of Holy Trinity Chapel (vol. i, pp. 134, 410), Winchester, appointed to claim clerks incarcerate in the city of Winchester or the county of Southampton.

[1] An indulgence is a remission, granted by the Church, of the whole or a part of the temporal punishment due for sins already forgiven. An indulgence of forty days represents a remission of as much of the temporal punishment as would have been remitted by means of forty days of canonical penance.

[2] The Rural Dean is here meant.

Willelmus, etc., dilectis in Christo filiis decano Wyntoniensi ac Johanni Holewale, custodi capelle S. Trinitatis Wyntoniensis, s. g. et b. Ad petendum, exigendum, et recipiendum vice et auctoritate nostrâ a quibuscunque justiciariis domini nostri regis Anglie illustris ad liberacionem gaole civitatis nostre Wyntoniensis seu alibi in comitatu Suthamptone, nostre diocesis, deputatis et etiam constitutis quoscunque clericos ibidem incarceratos, quibuscunque criminibus irretitos, vobis conjunctim et divisim, et cuilibet vestrûm insolidum, tenore presencium committimus vices nostras, vosque, et vestrûm quemlibet, ad premissa facienda nostros constituimus et facimus attornatos speciales.—*Ib.*, 12 February.

A similar commission for archdeaconry of Surrey follows.

[3b.] Licence of non-residence for one year granted to rector of Bentworth (vol. i, p, 4), to study in University of Oxford.

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio r. ecclesie de Bynteworth, nostre diocesis, presbitero, s. g. et b. Ut per unum annum a die date presencium continuè numerandum ab ecclesiâ tuâ predictâ absentare et in universitate Oxoniensi studio literarum insistere, fructusque ecclesie tue predicte interim percipere, ac eos alicui persone idonee per idem tempus ad firmam dimittere licitè valeas, liberam tibi tenore presencium concedimus facultatem, proviso quod dicto anno finito ad ecclesiam tuam predictam redeas et in eâdem resideas, ut teneris, ac procuratorem idoneum ibidem in medio tempore dimittas, qui nobis et aliis ordinariis tuis[1] congruè respondeat vice tuâ, quodque eidem ecclesie tue interim laudabiliter deserviatur in divinis, animarum cura nullatenus negligatur in eâ, ac domus rectorie tue interim non subjiciantur ruine, et absencia tua largicione inter pauperes parochianos tuos erogandâ debitè compensetur.—*Ib.*, 13 February, 1367–8.

[4a.] Hamble Priory.[2]

[1] The archdeacon and rural dean.

[2] This little priory, at the junction of Hamble Creek with Southampton Water below Netley, was founded by William Giffard, bishop of Winchester (1098—1128), in honour of St. Andrew. It was an alien priory, belonging to the great Benedictine House of Tiron or Turon, in the Orleannois, about sixteen miles S.E. of Tours. The bishop bought the priory, with its appendant churches of Hamble, Hound, and West Worldham, in the year 1391, and gave it to his newly-founded College at Winchester in the same year.

William de Monasteriis, the prior, admonished to come into residence within six months and keep a substitute in the meantime . . . quod infra sex mensium spacium a tempore monicionis huiusmodi continuè sequencium numerandum ad prefatam ecclesiam de Hamele, quam sic dereliquit et dimisit taliter desolatam, personaliter redeat et accedat, et faciat in eâ residenciam, ut jura exigunt, debitam, continuam, et etiam personalem, et alia onera omnia eidem ecclesie incumbencia agnoscat, et interim talem capellanum idoneum ad celebrandum divina officia in ipsâ ecclesiâ et curam animarum gerendum in ipsâ, parochianisque ipsis omnia sacramenta ecclesiastica, per curatum parochialem consueta impendi, eis interim ministrandum ex habundanti, ut animarum predictorum parochianorum pericula prudenciùs evitentur, tenore presencium deputamus, cui pro sustentacione suâ volumus interim de fructibus et proventibus dicte ecclesie congruè provideri.—*Ib.*, 14 January.

[8a.] This monition had no effect; and it appearing that the prior was in foreign parts, a commission went to sequestrate the temporals.

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis officiali nostro ac m. Johanni de Ware, sequestratori nostro, s. g. et b. Cum tam per inquisiciones generales per vos officialem nostrum more solito in nostrâ diocesi solempniter celebratas et rite factas, quam per famam publicam et vulgarem fuisset nostris auribus intimatum, quod f. Willelmus de Monasteriis, monachus monasterii de Tironio, Carnotensis diocesis, dudum per abbatem dicti monasterii ad prioratum ecclesie de Hamele, nostre diocesis, loci diocesano presentatus, et per ipsum ad illum admissus et institutus in eâdem ac pacificam possessionem ipsius adeptus, ad partes remotas absque nostrâ licenciâ temerè se dimisit, et quamplura bona ipsius ecclesie de Hamele secum, ut dicitur, asportavit, dictam ecclesiam, curam et regimen eiusdem, relinquens penitus desolata preter et deserta, et ob hoc ipsum fratrem Willelmum, ut ad dictos prioratum et ecclesiam infra certum terminum competentem redeat, curam et regimen eorundem subiturus, et facturus in eisdem sub pena juris residenciam continuam et etiam personalem mandavimus et fecimus moneri peremptoriè et citari, juxta juris exigenciam et canonica instituta.

Set nos zelantes pro indempnitate dictorum prioratûs et ecclesie, ac ut cura et regimen animarum eorundem debitè supportentur, et ne bona ecclesiastica eorundem per manus exterorum interim dilapidentur vel etiam consumantur, de quibus ex nonnullis perspicuis indiciis verisimiliter formidatur, ex nostri pastoralis officii debito uberiùs ordinare, ne super defectu aut negligenciâ in discreto examine inde arciùs arguamur, omnes et singulos fructus, redditus, et proventus dicte ecclesie obvenientes et adventuros ex causâ premissâ tenore presencium sequestramus, vobisque communiter et divisim committimus et mandamus quatenus eosdem fructus, redditus, et proventus ex causâ predictâ auctoritate nostrâ eciam sequestretis seu facias sequestrari, et sub tuto custodiri sequestro, quousque aliud de ipsis direxerimus disponendum.

Et dictum nostrum sequestrum, ne quis ipsius ignoranciam valeat probabiliter allegare, faciatis in dictis prioratu et ecclesiâ solempniter et debitè publicari. Inhibeatis insuper auctoritate nostrâ quibuscunque personis laicis, tam in genere quam in specie, quibus de rebus ecclesiarum disponendi nulla est attributa facultas, quibus manet necessitas obsequendi, ne de bonis, fructibus, aut proventibus dicte ecclesie quicquam auferant vel disponant, seu se de ipsis aliqualiter intromittant. Contradictores quoque et rebelles, seu vos in execucione premissorum quomodolibet impedientes, auctoritate nostrâ per quascunque censuras ecclesiasticas canonicè compescatis.

Ac ne animarum cura in dictâ ecclesiâ interim cum gravi periculo negligatur, vobis divisim committimus percipiendo, quatenus alicui honeste ac idonee persone ipsius absentis vices in dictâ ecclesiâ committatis, que ipsius ecclesiarum animarum curam et regimen interim valeat supportare, et eidem ecclesie deservire laudabiliter in divinis; cui de ipsius ecclesie fructibus et proventibus porcionem congruam assignetis, unde possit congruè sustentari, ad quod de dictis fructibus superesse contigerit in utilitatem ipsius juxta datam a Deo vobis prudenciam fideliter convertentes.—*Ib.*, 28 January.

[**10b.**] Warrant to harvest and sell the crops on the priory farm, directed to John Tannere.—Wolvesey, 17 July, 1368.

[59b.] Resignation of the Prior.

Terciodecimo die mensis Novembris, a.d. millesimo trecentesimo lxxj, venerabilis . . . . Willelmus episcopus Wyntoniensis loquebatur et tangebat in manerio suo de Waltham domino priori Wyntoniensi de resignacione prioratûs de Hamele, et idem prior xiiij^mo^ die dicti mensis, anno et loco predictis, misit prefato domino instrumentum publicum super resignacione predictâ sub sigillo suo in quâdam papiri cedulâ interclusum ; quam quidem resignacionem dictus pater in capellâ manerii sui de Waltham coram discretis viris, magistris Thomâ de Sheptone, legum doctore, Johanne Essex, et Johanne de Kelleseye, notariis publicis, testibus ad premissa vocatis specialiter et rogatis, admisit, acceptavit, et approbavit vivâ voce per decretum.

Grant of custody of the spirituals of the priory :—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis f. Willelmo de Salariis, monacho de Tyronio, Petro de Punsewade, et Thome de Driffelde, s. g. et b. Cum prioratus de Hamele ordinis S. Benedicti, nostre diocesis, per resignacionem f. Willelmi de Monasteriis, nuper prioris eiusdem, in manibus nostris factam et per nos admissam, ad presens notoriè vacare noscatur, cuius custodia, in spiritualibus precipuè, durante vacacione ipsius, ad nos de jure et consuetudine antiquâ est notissimum pertinere. Nos volentes cure animarum dicti prioratûs et ecclesie ipsius ex nostro officio salubriter providere, evidenti utilitate et urgenti necessitate dicti prioratûs per nos pensatis et plenariè consideratis, custodiam prioratûs predicti in spiritualibus vobis conjunctim committimus per presentes, quousque aliud super hoc duxerimus ordinandum. Ita quod ecclesie de Hamele et cure animarum ipsius faciatis in divinis officiis et sacramentis per capellanos idoneos congruè et laudabiliter deserviri, ac omnes soluciones ac pensiones, porciones, et redditus tam domino nostro regi, quam personis aliis quibuscunque de jure vel consuetudine in hâc parte debitas persolvi, et omnia alia onera ordinaria et extraordinaria eidem prioratui incumbencia plenariè supportari, et quod de omnibus fructibus, redditibus, et proventibus spiritualibus dicti prioratûs, quos ultra stipendia dicti capellani parochialis in manibus vestris superesse contigerit, nobis vel deputandis nostris, cum super hoc fueritis exacti, debitam plenam et fidelem teneamini reddere racionem.

Vobis quoque districtè mandamus, quatenus in premissis tam prudenter et solicitè vos geratis, quod vestrum officium huiusmodi Deo et hominibus sit acceptum, et ne clamor seu querela super hiis pulsent futuris temporibus aures nostras.—Waltham, 15 Nov., 1371.

[4b.] Prior of Christchurch Twynham enjoined to name a coadjutor[1] on the ground of failure of eyesight:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio Henrico, priori Christi ecclesie de Twynham, etc., s. g. et b. Cum cuilibet clerico beneficiato egrotanti, morbo incurabili sic vexato, quod ad beneficii sui ecclesiastici et sui ipsius regimen redditur impotens et inutilis, dandus sit juxta sancciones canonicas coadjutor, et de famâ publicâ perambulâ et vulgari referente sit nostris auribus inculcatum, quod tali et tantâ oculorum cecitate Altissimus, prout sibi placuit, vos percussit, adeo quod officium regiminis prioratûs vestri prefati et cure animarum eiusdem tam in spiritualibus quam in temporalibus non valetis ex illâ causâ debitè regere, vel aliqualiter exercere; cumque ad nostrum officium pastorale pertinere noscatur pro debito regimine prioratûs predicti ex causâ predictâ prioris debito officio destituto, ne in spiritualibus vel temporalibus per nostrum defectum, culpam, et negligenciam collabatur, statim persone vestre et gregis vobis commisse regimen congruè providere; vobis tenore presencium firmiter injungimus et mandamus, quatenus infra vj dierum spacium a tempore recepcionis presencium continuè numerandorum, quos propter periculum anime vestre et prioratûs predicti dispendium citius et cauciùs evitandum, sic duximus statuendum, moderandum, et eciam assignandum, unum vel duos viros idoneos et honestos ac sufficientes pro huiusmodi onere supportando, per quos persone vestre et statui prioratûs eiusdem debitè et fideliter consuli valeat, ut convenit et oportet, curetis eligere, et nobis infra alios sex dies extunc sequentes per vestras literas specialiter nominetis, ut eos super regimine persone vestre et prioratûs eiusdem bonorum spiritualium et temporalium ipsius coadjutores ordinare et ponere ad laudem

[1] Properly speaking, a coadjutor is given to a bishop to be an assistant during life in matters of jurisdiction; but in our ecclesiastical records there are many instances, early as well as late, of coadjutors given to other dignitaries, and also to incumbents of benefices. —*Gibs.*, 137.

Dei et ipsius prioratûs regimen, prout nostro incumbit officio, valeamus—Southwark, 20 Jan., 1367–8.

[10a.] Peter Travers appointed coadjutor:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio f. Petro Travers, canonico ecclesie conventualis Christi ecclesie de Twynham, ordinis S. Augustini, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Cum dilectus filius f. Henricus, prior ecclesie memorate, adeo morbo cecitatis incurabili sit percussus, et utrorumque oculorum lumine nutu Altissimi destitutus, quod ad sui ipsius et confratrum suorum ac dicte ecclesie regimen insufficiens redditur et impotens est effectus:—nos, ad quem cura animarum prioris et confratrum predictorum noscitur pertinere, volentes indempnitati ipsorum et ecclesie predicte de oportuno remedio providere, te, de cuius vitâ et conversacione honestis ac in spiritualibus et temporalibus circumspeccione providâ coram nobis laudabile testimonium perhibetur, ad hoc per f. Henricum priorem predictum electum et nobis specialiter nominatum, coadjutorem eidem f. Henrico priori tenore presencium constituimus et eciam deputamus, recepto a te juramento de fideli et pleno inventario omnium bonorum spiritualium et temporalium omnium ad dictam ecclesiam conventualem pertinencium, ubilibet receptorum, et super toto statu eiusdem ecclesie, in quo jam existitis, per usum et in presenciâ conventûs dicti loci, vel maioris et sanioris partis eiusdem, infra viginti dierum spacium a datâ presencium continuè numerandorum per modum indenture inter te ex unâ parte ac dictos priorem et conventum, pro securitate fideli mandamus et volumus remanere, ut possis de eisdem futuris temporibus, cum exactus fueris, reddere fidelem et debitam racionem, reservatâ nobis facultate f. Johannem Wodenham,[1] concanonicum dicte ecclesie ad hoc nominatum et electum, coadjutorem eidem f. Henrico consimiliter deputandi.—Farnham, 20 June, 1368.

[5a.] Christchurch Twynham Priory. One of the friars absconded. The prior refused to re-admit him, alleging that he had been a sower of tares among the brethren, and was guilty of divers crimes. Commission to official and sequestrator to hold an inquiry at the convent, and reinstate the friar, circumstances permitting:—

[1] Elected prior and confirmed 20th July, 1377 (vol. i, p. 87).

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis Johanni de Wormenhale, officiali nostro, ac Johanni de Ware, sequestratori nostro in archidiaconatu Wyntoniensi, s. g. et b. Nuper dilectum filium f. Johannem Cossham, concanonicum et confratrem ecclesie regularis Christi ecclesie de Twynham, ordinis S. Augustini, nostre diocesis, dictum ordinem in eâdem ecclesiâ expressè professum, a crimine apostasie, quam contraxit, a dictâ ecclesiâ professionis sue, abjecto suo habitu reglari, in habitu seclari temerè recedendo, necnon a maioris excommunicacionis summâ, quam eâ occasione incurrebat, ad dilectos filios priorem et conventum dicte ecclesie reglaris cum nostris literis misimus absolutum, mandantes eisdem, ut infra certum terminum competentem jam effluxum eundem confratrem suum in domum professionis sue predicte admitterent, et eum fraternâ caritate debitè pertractarent, salvis ipsius ordinis correccionibus et reglaribus disciplinis, prout in prioribus nostris inde confectis literis [1] eis directis noscatur pleniùs contineri ; set iidem prior et conventus nostris predictis literis literatoriè responderunt, quod prefatus f. Johannes erat inter eos communis seminator zizaniorum, super et de diversis criminibus sacrilegii et adulterii ac fraccionis carceris ipsorum, et depredacionis bonorum spiritualium et temporalium eorundem multipliciter incorrigibilis, et coram eis in capitulo suo convictus extitit ac rebellis, et eorum monicionibus contrarius et incorrigibilis pronunciatus, et perpetuò fore ammovendus ab eâdem ; et propter hec ipsum admittere renuerunt, ipsum permittentes per vagacionis semitas, quo voluit, peragere, absque vite sue necessariis, et ad sinistram vel dextram, prout elegerit, declinare.

Nos igitur, nolentes ipsius animam perdere, set salvare, quantum nostrum tangit officium pastorale, vobis committimus et mandamus, quatenus ad prefatam ecclesiam reglarem de Twynham personaliter accedentes, super dictis allegacionibus sive responsionibus, omnibus in hâc parte de jure vocandis coram vobis legitimè convocatis, vos in formâ juris plenariè informetis, et raciones utriusque partium predictarum audiatis, ac quod justum fuerit super hiis per omnia decernatis ; et si nichil de institutis canonicis super premissis inveneritis obviare, quominus dictus frater Johannes ad dictam domum professionis sue

[1] This letter is not in the register.

admitti debeat, ipsum in domum eandem reducatis, et reduci ac admitti faciatis, ac salvis correccionibus et disciplinis reglaribus eiusdem ordinis eum restitui faciatis ad eandem ; facientes quod super hoc decreveritis auctoritate nostrâ per censuras ecclesiasticas observari.—Southwark, 20 Jan., 1367–8.

Citation of prior and convent to shew cause why the friar should not be re-admitted.—Same date.

[**5b.**] Circular forbidding the clergy to undertake masses for the dead outside their own cures.[1]

Willelmus etc., dilecto in Christo filio archidiacono Surreiensi, vel eius officiali, s. g. et b. Multorum fidedignorum querela ad nostrum perduxit auditum, quod nonnulli ecclesiarum parochialium rectores et vicarii se a dictis beneficiis suis, nullâ a nobis petitâ licenciâ vel obtentâ, nimis temerarie se absentârunt, in locis aliis inhonestis evagantes, dicta sua beneficia divinis officiis et sacramentis ecclesiasticis reliquerunt penitus destituti, et annualia pro animabus defunctorum in locis remotis pro stipendiis excessivis contra statuta sanctorum patrum indies non verentur celebrare ; et quidam ipsorum pro huiusmodi stipendiis ecclesiis parochialibus et curatis divina officia subministrant, in animarum parochianorum suorum grave periculum et beneficiorum suorum desolacionem manifestam. Nonnulle insuper ecclesie parochiales et alia beneficia ecclesiastica dicte nostre diocesis per non modica tempora vacaverunt et ad presens vacare dicuntur, alii vero dictorum clericorum absencium tres vel quatuor missas in die non desinunt illicitè celebrare.

Nos igitur, super premissis omnibus et singulis superiùs enarratis volentes effici certiores, vobis mandamus, firmiter injungentes, quatenus de nominibus et cognominibus omnium et singulorum clericorum predictorum archidiaconatûs nostri Surreiensis sua beneficia taliter deserencium annualia pro defunctis celebrancium ac ecclesiis aliis curatis officio capellanorum parochialium deserviencium, ac eorum qui tres vel quatuor missas in die presumunt, ut premittitur, celebrare, unà cum nominibus

[1] By a Constitution of archbp. Peckham, A.D. 1287, beneficed priests shall not take upon themselves private masses for the dead to the neglect of their cures.—*Lyndwood*, p. 228 ; *Gibs.*, 458. An exception to this rule was allowed in the case of a beneficed priest engaged for one year ut specialiter celebret pro animâ cuiusdam defuncti.—*Lyndwood*, *ubi supra*.

beneficiorum sic vacancium, scrutatis rotulis et regestris vestris ac aliis informacionibus et documentis per vos receptis, prudenter et celeriter inquiratis, et ea in scriptis particulariter redigatis, nullo penitus pretermisso, ac nobis infra duodecim dies a datâ presencium continuè numerandos per literas vestras sub sigillo officii vestri signatas transmittatis interclusas.—*Ib.*, 8 Jan.

[6a.] Non-resident clergy monished. Archdeacons to cause three proclamations to be made on Sundays and festivals in the churches of absentee clergy, enjoining residence within two months.—*Ib.*, 20 and 22 Jan.

Bighton, Oxted, Lingfield, Mickleham, Cranleigh. Licenses of non-residence for one year to the rectors, in the case of Oxted on the service (in obsequiis commorando) of Alesia, Lady Neville.

Archdeaconry of Surrey. License of non-residence for three years granted to archdeacon Edyndone in order to go abroad:

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio m. Johanni de Edyndone, archidiacono Surreiensi, necnon rectori ecclesie de Ryngwode, vestre diocesis, s. g. et b. Tuis precibus inclinati, ut per triennium a die date presencium continuè numerandum te a tuis archidiaconatu et ecclesiâ predictis ex causis racionabilibus et necessariis in locis transmarinis honestis licitè valeas absentare, et fructus, redditus, et proventus dicte ecclesie tue de Ryngewode, necnon et ecclesie tue de Farnham archidiaconatui tuo predicto annexe cum integritate percipere, et eos personis idoneis per idem tempus ad firmam dimittere, tecum tenore presencium dispensamus, et licenciam tibi concedimus specialem, proviso quod animarum cura dictarum ecclesiarum nullatenus negligatur, quodque procuratorem idoneum in eisdem dimittas, qui nobis et aliis ordinariis tuis congruè respondeat vice tuâ, ac domus ecclesiarum predictarum non subiciantur ruinis, ceteraque omnia eisdem ecclesiis incumbencia debitè supportentur, et absencia tua elemosinarum largicione inter pauperes parochianos tuos nostro arbitrio moderandâ et taxandâ compensetur.[1]—*Ib.*, 15 Feb.

[1] This was a usual condition, and where leave to let the church was granted, the bishop might assign a portion of the fruits to the poor, so that they should be no losers by the incumbent's absence; and this, according to archbp. Peckham's constitution, was to be a "pinguis portio," a fat slice of the profits, to be determined by four respectable parishioners.—*Lyndwood*, pp. 132, 133.

[6b.] Licenses of non-residence for one year granted to the rectors of Lingfield and Mickleham on usual conditions.—*Ib.*, 20, 21 Feb., 1367–8.

F. John Wonersh, of the Friars Preachers, Guildford, Robert Lemyngtone, r. of Arreton, and Peter de Daventre, r. of Streatham, licensed to hear confessions, impose penance, and absolve, certain crimes excepted (vol. i, p. 121 *n.* and 157) in archdeaconry of Surrey.—*Ib.*, 11, 20, 22 Feb.

Prior of Winchester Cathedral authorised to expel penitents [1] on Ash Wednesday:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio priori ecclesie nostre cathedralis Wyntoniensis s. g. et b. Devocionem vestram, quam ad salutem animarum procurandam habere dinoscimini, in Domino commendantes, ut quoscunque subjectos nostros ad vos declinantes solempnem penitenciam recepturos possitis hâc instanti die cinerum in capite jejunii ab ecclesiâ cum officio debito in formâ ecclesie consuetâ expellere, et eos die Jovis in cenâ Domini (Thursday before Easter) proxime sequenti solempniter reintroducere et restituere more solito; et dictum officium vice nostrâ in omnibus exequi, licenciam vobis tenore presencium concedimus specialem, et super hoc committimus specialiter vices nostras, etc.[2]—*Ib.*, 8 Jan.

[7a.] Similar commission to abbot of Chertsey.[3]—Same date.

Witley with Thoresley chapel.[4] Bishop Edyndone having sanctioned the appropriation of this benefice to Dartford priory, reserving a *congrua portio* to the vicar, commission to m. John Corf, official of the archdeacon of Winchester, and Robert, r. of

[1] Ayliffe (*Parergon*, p. 413) describes this ceremony:—"In solemn penance, all the penitents that undergo public penance ought to appear before the church door on Ash Wednesday, sad and clothed in sack-cloth, and there ought also to be present the rural dean and likewise the priests belonging to the penitents, who are to make a diligent inspection of their conversation and enjoin them penance by certain degrees, according to the measure of their sins. After which the bishop is to introduce them into the church, and, lying prostrate, sing or read the seven penitential psalms. Then rising from the ground, he ought to lay them on the ground and sprinkle them with holy water before he throws the ashes on them. Then covering their heads with silk he ought to declare that as Adam was cast out of Paradise, so are they for their sins cast out of the church. After which he orders the ministers to expel them from thence."—*See Decrees of Gratian*, book v, chapter 50, distinction 64.

[2] Renewed, 20 Feb., 1369–70, and 17 Feb., 1372–3. [3] Renewed, 24 Feb., 1375–6.

[4] Now Thursley, on the Portsmouth Road between Milford and Hindhead.

Puttenham, to hold an inquiry and report to the bishop on the real annual value of the benefice.—*Ib.*, 18 Feb.

John de Shepeye appointed chancellor of the diocese:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto nobis in Christo m. Johanni de Shepeye, legum doctori, cancellario ecclesie Lichfeldensis, s. g. et b. De vestris consciencie puritate et circumspectâ prudenciâ plenam in Domino fiduciam optinentes, ad cognoscendum, procedendum, statuendum, et diffiniendum in quibuscunque causis et negociis, sive ex officio nostro, sive ad partium instanciam, in curiâ nostrâ pendentibus indecisis, et de novo inchoandis, dictaque causas et negocia audiendum et fine debitò terminandum cum suis emergentibus, dependentibus, incidentibus, et connexis, vobis tenore presencium vices nostras committimus cum cuiuslibet cohercionis canonice potestate.—*Ib.*, 25 Feb.

Discharge of executors of will of ds. Thomas de Keynis, dean of the royal free chapel of St. Stephen's, Westminster.—*Ib.*, 27 Feb.

[**7b.**] Probate of will of Peter de Wyght granted to Margaret his widow, John of the pantry, one of the executors, having renounced, and power being reserved for the other, John Frowyk, to prove.—*Ib.*, 26 Feb.

Probate of will of Sir John Warde, kt., granted to dame Margaret the widow.—*Ib.*, 24 Nov., 1367.

Probate of will of John de Norwych, capellanus, granted to Thomas Bernard, and on the following day to his co-executor, William Depenham.—*Ib.*, 16, 17 Dec.

Discharge of the executors.—*Ib.*, 11 Feb., 1367–8.

Letter transmitting to m. John de Waltham, official of York, a bull of Urban V, object not stated:—

Willelmus, etc., executor ad infrascripta per sedem apostolicam deputatus, dilecto nobis in Christo . . . salutem et mandatis apostolicis subscriptis firmiter obedire. Literas sanctissimi in Christo patris et domini, domini Urbani, divinâ providenciâ pape quinti, more Curie Romane bullatas, sanas et integras ac omni vicio et suspicione sinistrâ carentes nuper recepimus, tenorem qui sequitur continentes, *Urbanus*, etc. Verum quiâ execucioni

literarum predictarum personaliter intendere non valemus, variis et arduis negociis regiis et aliis multipliciter occupati, vobis, de cuius fidelitate et circumspectâ prudenciâ plenam in Domino fiduciam reportamus, auctoritate apostolicâ committimus et mandamus, in virtute obediencie, quâ dicte sedi tenemur, firmiter injungentes, quatenus prefatas literas apostolicas juxta omnem vim, formam et effectum earundem exequamini in omnibus fideliter vice nostrâ. Mandantes insuper, quatenus expedito negocio huiusmodi, nos de toto processu vestro in hâc parte habendo, et quid feceritis et inveneritis et factum fuerit in premissis distinctè, dilucidè et apertè certificare curetis per literas vestras patentes et clausas harum et processûs vestri huiusmodi seriem continentes, sigillo vestri consignatas, talem et tantam diligenciam adhibentes in premissis, ut exinde per dictam sedem valeatis meritò commendari.—*Ib.*, 5 Nov. 1367.

[8a.] In the time of bp. Edyndone a question arose between the prior and convent of Merton as appropriators of the church of Kingston-on-Thames with the chapels of Ditton, Moulsey, and Sheen annexed, and the vicar of Kingston-on-Thames, as to the liability for repairs; and was referred to the bishop, who decided that the appropriators should repair the walls and roof of the chancel at Kingston-on-Thames, and rebuild it when necessary, at their own expense, and that the vicar and his successors should bear all other burdens. It having been reported to the bishop that the chancels of the chapels are in need of certain repairs and their roofs are defective, he directs the vicar to be cited.—*Ib.*, 15 March, 1367–8.

[8b.] Licence of non residence granted to William Aubrey, r. of Beddington (vol. i, p. 38) so long as he shall be in the service (*quamdiu steterit in obsequiis*) of Nicholas Kaerwent, r. of Crondall (*ib.*, p. 117).—*Ib.*, 16 March.

Probate of will of Robert de Cadyngtone, r. of Headley, Surrey (*Ib.*, p. 16), granted to William Ysmangere and Richard Hanham, the executors.—*Ib.*, 21 March.

Remonstrance addressed to Sir William de Montacute, earl of Salisbury,[1] for quartering his people on the monks of Christchurch Twynham :—

[1] The second earl, b. 1328, d. 1397.—*Dict. Nat. Biog.*, xxxviii, 314.

Willelmus, etc., nobili viro et strenuo militi Willelmo de Monte Acuto, comiti Sarum, s. g. et b. Vestre devocionis prudenciam verisimiliter credimus non latere, quod viri religiosi, qui cuncta que in mundo possederant derelinquunt, et semet ipsos pro Deo contempnunt, nullam presentis vite gloriam requirunt, ab huiusmodi mundi se accionibus segregârunt, mundum professione et opere deserentes, sunt sub cilicio sacre religionis a strepitibus et offendiculis hominum secularium solicitè protegendi, per quorum proximitatem nimiam frequenter offenditur religionis observancia et dissolucionis materia generatur, et presertim ex incautâ respeccione et collocucione mulierum, quia non debet intueri, quod non licet concupisci. Vidit enim prima mater omnium, *quod bonum esset lignum et ad vescendum suave, ac pulcrum oculis, aspectuque delectabile, tulit de fructu illius, et comedit:* neque enim lignum vetitum contigisset, nisi illud primum respexisset incautè.

Et ecce, quod nobilitati vestre ex cordis amaritudine dolentes referimus, quod gravem et horridam dilectorum filiorum prioris et conventûs Christi ecclesie de Twynham, ordinis S. Augustini, nostre diocesis, querelam recepimus, continentem quod vos fere omnes domos dicti prioratûs, contra ipsorum voluntatem, quandoque per annum integrum, aliquociens per dimidium annum, cum totâ familiâ vestrâ utriusque sexûs occupatis et detinetis, in ipsorum religiosorum et religionis oppressionem et molestiam, ac inquietudinem vehementem ; ministri quoque vestri claves domorum huiusmodi in recessu vestro, ne religiosi predicti comoda percipiant ex eisdem, secum voluntariè deferunt, detinent, ac asportant, et alia fieri procurant indebitè, per que ipsa religio turbatur, et plurimùm evertatur, nisi apponatur citiùs remedium oportunum.

Ac hiis molestiis et injuriis ministri vestri huiusmodi non contenti, pluries procurârunt nativos et alios tenentes vestros trahere dictos priorem et conventum ad hundredam et curias vestras super confictis gravaminibus, et etiam fabricatis ; et quamvis defensiones legitime pro parte dictorum prioris et conventûs contra huiusmodi conquerentes sint proposite, judices, propositi, et ballivi vestri ipsas admittere, audire, vel allocare recusant, et dampna sua huiusmodi conquerentes, ad simplicem assercionem ipsorum, in quantitate excessivâ recuperant, prout

ıarrant, in gravem depauperacionem domûs prefate, et contra egni legem et consuetudinem manifestam. Et hiis dicti ministri 'estri alias excogitatas injurias addiderunt, quod quamvis in :uriis et hundredis idem prior pro se et dictâ domo suâ obtulit ɔersonaliter facere attornatum, ad sectam pro se in hundredis et :uriis faciendam, ministri et senescalli vestri attornatum huiusmodi admittere omnino recusant, in offensam legis regni super hoc salubriter ordinate.

Et licet dudum prior dicti loci ad tempus concesserit graciosè pontem fieri pro introitu et exitu commodosis domine Katerine, matris vestre jam defuncte, quo debuit et potuit secreciùs et honestiùs spaciari, ex hoc tamen sunt multa dampna et varia scandala dicte domui et religioni, tam in spiritualibus quam in temporalibus, postmodum generata, ut pericula maiora exinde pervenire verisimiliter formidantur, nisi super hoc celere remedium apponatur.

Unde nobis humiliter supplicârunt prior ac conventus predicti, ne religionis observancia ibidem taliter depereat, et domus ipsa sic irrecuperabiliter destruatur, salubriter providere, et, quod similiter est deflendum, alia quadam enormia per gentes vestras infra prioratum predictum, que ad presens subtacemus, ut asseritur, committuntur, que religionis sacre graviter impediunt, deformant, et dedecorant honestatem. Cumque ad nostrum spectet officium advocatos, patronos, vicedominos, rectores, consules, magnates, et milites, et quoslibet alios compescere et per censuras ecclesiasticas, si opus fuerit, refrenare, ne ministeria religiosorum nostre diocesis presumant offendere, nec personis aut rebus ut huiusmodi viri religiosi liberiùs et quiecius virtutum Domino valeant famulari, vosque patronus eiusdem loci, ad quem ex vi juris patronatûs, necnon ex vinclo ordinis militaris, noscitur pertinere, viros ecclesiasticos, presertim religiosos, ab injuriis, oppressionibus, et aliis molestiis in suis necessitatibus potenter et viriliter, defensare, ad hoc exurgere tenemur contra ascendentes ex adverso.[1] Vestre igitur devocionis puritatem, quam in vobis credimus firmiter rutilare, ex fonte caritatis requirimus in Domino, et hortamur, vobisque anime vestre remedio et salute consulimus et utiliter suademus, quatenus, si

[1] Ascendere ex adverso: to contradict (Du Cange—quoting St. Anselm). Here it seems to mean opponents.

est ita, ut familiam vestram a dicto loco citra festum S. Trinitatis proximò jam venturum amovere curetis, et faciatis dampna et injurias et alia dispendia supradicta, absque more diffugio, in statum debitum restitui, et eciam reformari, ne dicti religiosi, velut coccus vel iacintus sub sancte religionis cilicio rutilantes[1] mundanis virorum et mulierum pulveribus maculentur, et regularis observancia et huiusmodi gravaminibus inquietudinem deceterò patiatur. Et per harum baiulum nobis rescribere studeatis plenariè, quid super hiis omnibus duxeritis faciendum. —*Ib.*, 21 March.

[9a.] St. Cross Hospital, Winchester.

The following instruments relate to the controversy of 1367–74 between the bishop and four successive masters of the hospital, which turned on the question whether the charity was a sinecure benefice or a hospital within the meaning of the bull "Quia contingit," which enjoins heads of such places to deliver inventories of the goods, and render account of their administration once a year to the ordinary (*Lowth*, p. 81, *Moberly*, p. 105). Archdeacon Edyndone was master from 1349 to 1366. Sir Edward Coke's description of a non-resident incumbent as "non dispensator sed dissipator, non speculator sed spiculator," seems applicable to him. Lowth says that he "took away and alienated the whole stock belonging to the hospital: all the cattle, corn, goods, instruments, utensils, and moveables whatsoever, either in the house itself or upon the estates." Just before the death of his uncle, bishop Edyndone, he exchanged with Stowell. Stowell soon found the mastership not worth having, and exchanged with Lyntesforde (vol. i, p. 15), and in August, 1370, Lyntesforde exchanged with Cloune (vol. i, p. 30). Stowell ceased to be master of the hospital on the 22nd of March, 1367–8, and on the following day the bishop wrote to him for an inventory of the stock received by him from Edyndone and handed over to Lyntesforde:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio Willelmo de Stowell, etc., s. g. et b. Cum ad nos, tanquam ad diocesanum et patronum hospitalis predicti, pertineat diligenter prospicere et eciam providere, ut bona ipsius in usus debitos, licitos, et honestos juxta formam,

[1] Shining like scarlet or purple under the cloak of holy religion.

fundaciones, et ordinaciones eiusdem fideliter erogentur, nos, ne in usus illicitos convertantur et per manus nepharios abstrahantur ab hospitale predicto seu locis aliis ad illud pertinentibus, tibi in virtute obediencie firmiter injungentes mandamus, teque sub maioris excommunicacionis penâ monemus, quatenus plenum inventarium et fidele de omnibus et singulis bonis, bladis, animalibus, utensilibus, instrumentis, et rebus aliis quibuscunque existentibus in eodem hospitali, seu locis aliis ad illud pertinentibus, et in quo statu illa in principio recepisti, inter te et Ricardum de Lyntesforde, nunc custodem eiusdem, per modum indenture ante omnia facias fideliter et exactè, ac omnia et singula premissa seriatim plene et particulariter describi procures, nichil de premissis quomodolibet omittendo, et unam partem dicte indenture penes te retineas et conserves, aliam verò partem eiusdem tradas et liberes custodi predicto, et nobis terciam partem eiusdem indenture plene conscriptam sub tuo sigillo clausam citra dominicam quâ cantatur *misericordiam domini*[1] proximò iam venturam transmittas pro informacione nostrâ super veritate et circumstanciis, proventibus et oneribus, dicti hospitalis in adventu nostro illic habendam, in nostrâ custodiâ remansuram.[2] —Southwark, 23 March, 1367–8.

[25b.] Commission to ascertain the state of the hospital property and the amount of stock handed over to Edyndone by the executors of his predecessor, Richard de Lusteshulle, in 1349, so as to fix the measure of Edyndone's liability :—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis officiali nostro ac magistro Johanni de Ware, sequestratori nostro in archidiaconatu Wyntoniensi, s. g. et b. Cum ad nos et nostrum officium scire et cognoscere statum et regimen hospitalis nostri Sancte Crucis juxta Wynton., nostre diocesis, et quod in spiritualibus et temporalibus ritè et debitè gubernetur, et ob hoc super omnibus et singulis vasis argenteis, ornamentis, utensilibus, animalibus, bonis et rebus mobilibus, ac statu dicti hospitalis, in quo Ricardus de Lusteshulle, dudum custos hospitalis predicti, illud dimisit

[1] The introit for the Second Sunday after Easter begins with these words. It is "dominica de Pastor Bonus" in the Roman ordinal.

[2] Stowell's reply, dated 26 March, MS., New Coll., is said to show that the stock handed over by Edyndone was less than it ought to have been ; *i.e.*, that he had committed waste.—*Moberly*, p. 107.

tempore mortis sue, volentes effici certiores, vobis committimus et mandamus firmiter injungentes, quatenus ad dictum hospitale et loca ac ecclesias et maneria eiusdem personaliter accedatis, et in quo statu idem hospitale, eeclesias, domus, maneria et loca eiusdem, ac que, qualia, et quanta ornamenta, vasa, utensilia et animalia, ac alia bona mobilia, et cuius estimacionis eadem attingunt executores testamenti dicti Ricardi dimiserunt in eodem, et cui eadem per indenturam vel aliter sub testamento legitimo liberârunt, vocatis executoribus supradictis, si qui supersunt, per viros fidedignos juratos et diligenter examinatos rei huius noticiam melius obtinentes cum omni prudenciâ inquiratis, compellentes auctoritate nostrâ per censuras ecclesiasticas, quas expedire videritis super hiis veritate testimonium perhibere.

Et quid per eandem inquisicionem inveneritis et feceritis in hâc parte, unà cum nominibus et cognominibus omnium per quas hec inquisicio capta fuerit, nos citra festum Ascensionis Domini proximò futuri clarè et distinctè certificet quivis utrûm, qui presens mandatum fuerit executus, literis suis patentibus et clausis habentibus hunc tenorem, sigillo autentico consignatis.—Esher, 20 April, 1368.

[38a.] Discharge of a sequestration which had been granted against Lyntesforde in order to compel production of inventory. —Waltham, 10 September, 1370.

[39a.] Commission to bishop's official (John de Wormenhale) and John de Ware to visit the hospital and examine Cloune, Edyndone, Lyntesforde and Stowell, as to the amount of stock which ought to have come to each of them in succession:

Willelmus, etc. Cum de consuetudine antiquâ, laudabili, et legitimè prescriptâ, quilibet custos sive magister domûs xenodochie sive hospitalis nostri S. Crucis juxta Wynton., nostre diocesis, tempore cessionis vel decessûs ipsius, certum staurum sive implementum varii generis animalium, instrumentorum, et utensilium ac aliarum rerum in ecclesiis, domibus, maneriis, grangiis, et locis aliis ad dictam domum sive hospitale pertinentibus realiter assignare et ibidem dimittere teneatur proximo successori suo custodi sive magistro dicte domûs sive hospitalis prefati pro manutencione et sustentacione eiusdem liberandum,

ac intelleximus iam recenter, famâ publicâ referente, quod quidam custodes sive magistri domûs sive hospitalis predicti staurum sive implementum huiusmodi nimis voluntariè alienaverunt, abstraxerunt, et consumpserunt temere et iniquè, et illud contra justiciam detinent eciam in presenti, in depauperacionem et grave dispendium dicte domûs sive hospitalis et hominum pauperum degencium in eâdem.

Nos nolentes premissa sub dissimulacionis clamide oculis conniventibus tolerare, cum nostrâ jure diocesano et patronatûs intersit notoriè bona dicti hospitalis in usus pauperum a sanctis patribus fundatoribus eiusdem hospitalis assignata et raptorum manibus preservare in cibos pauperum convertenda, et ob hoc volentes de predictis meliùs informari, vobis committimus et mandamus firmiter injungentes, quatenus ad dictam domum sive hospitale et alia loca eiusdem ubi videritis expedire personaliter accedentes, super stauro et implemento huiusmodi, quod, ut prefertur, in dicto hospitali post et cessionem et decessum cuiuslibet custodis sive magistri eiusdem debet sic dimitti, et in quibus rebus consistit vel consistere debet, et de quantitate et qualitate, numero, et valore rerum implementi eiusdem per viros fidedignos et juratos, rerum huiusmodi noticiam optinentes, dominis Johanne de Edyndone, Willelmo Stowell, et Ricardo de Lyntesforde, dudum custodibus et magistris successivè dicti hospitalis, et Rogero de Cloune, nunc custode et magistro ipsius, et aliis quorum interest de jure vocandis ad hoc legitimè evocatis, diligentem et fidelem inquisicionem faciatis, et dictam causam seu negocium cum suis emergentibus, incidentibus, dependentibus et connexis audiendum et fine debito terminandum, summas quoque et decreta per vos in hâc parte ferenda execucioni debite demandandum, vobis tenore presencium vices nostras committimus, cum cuiuslibet cohercionis canonice potestate; mandantes, quatenus nos dicto negocio terminato debito processu . . . . . certificetis.—Waltham, 30 July, 1370.

[42a.] Cloune having promoted a cause of dilapidations against Lyntesforde, Stowell, and Edyndone, in the Consistory Court, commission to m. Thomas Yung and others to hear and determine it:—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis nobis in Christo m. Thome Yung,

officiali curie Cantuariensis, Johanni de Shepeye, advocato curie prelibate, et Johanni de Kelleseye, canonico ecclesie Lincolniensis, s. g. et b. De vestris fidelitate et prudenciâ plenam in Domino fiduciam obtinentes, ad cognoscendum, procedendum, statuendum, et diffiniendum in causâ seu negocio quam vel quod dilectus filius ds. Rogerus de Cloune, magister sive custos domûs nostre elemosynarie sive hospitalis Sancte Crucis juxta Wynton., nostre diocesis, occasione inquisicionis et reparacionis defectuum ecclesie, domorum, et aliorum locorum ad dictam domum pertinencium contra m. Johannem de Edyndone, Willelmum de Stowell, et Ricardum de Lyntesforde, nuper successivè custodes et magistros domûs sive hospitalis predicti, coram nobis movere inchoavit, dictamque causam audiendi et fine debito terminandi cum suis emergentibus, incidentibus, dependentibus, et connexis vobis et cuilibet vestrûm eciam divisim tenore presencium committimus vices nostras, cum cuiuslibet cohercionis canonice, et exequendi que in hâc parte decreveritis potestate.—Southwark, 30 October, 1370.

[62a.] Lyntesforde made his submission at Highclere, 6 January, 1371–2, in the following terms :—

In Dei nomine, amen. Ego Ricardus de Lyntesforde, dudum magister sive custos hospitalis sive domûs elemosinarie pauperum S. Crucis juxta Wyntoniam, Wyntoniensis diocesis, considerans et attendens per varias tam literas apostolicas quam alia per documenta legitima et alias evidencias et informaciones ex officio reverendi patris domini Willelmi, etc., in judicio et extra occasione predicti hospitalis contra me instituto revelata, exhibita, et ostensa, quod dictum hospitale sive domus elemosinaria per bone memorie Henricum, fratrem germanum Stephani regis Anglie, quondam episcopum Wyntoniensem, pro sustentacione pauperum et debilium ad idem hospitale confluencium primò fundatus extitit et dotatus de bonis fundatoris predicti, et quod huiusmodi bona omnia et singula in usus pauperum sunt et non in alios convertenda, exceptâ racionabili et moderatâ sustentacione magistri seu custodis predicti, prout liquet clarè in cartâ primarie fundacionis eiusdem.

Attendens quoque quod tam vigore constitucionis bone memorie Clementis pape quinti que incipit *Quia contingit* in hâc

parte edite, quam vigore constitucionis Urbani Pape quinti super dictâ materiâ constitute, quod magistri custodes seu rectores huiusmodi hospitalium tenentur de bonis eorundem per eos administratis inventarium conficere et locorum diocesanis exhibere, et de bonis huiusmodi hospitalium pauperum sic per eos administratis annuatim reddere racionem :—Ex causis premissis racionabiliter nos moventibus omni liti processui et prosecucioni eiusdem contra me ex causâ premissâ coram dicto reverendo patre vel eius commissariis quibuscunque, et presertim coram venerabili viro m. Thomâ Yung, dicti patris commissario in hâc parte specialiter deputato, inchoatis et diutiùs continuatis pendentibus indecisis, necnon omnibus et singulis appellacionibus, provocacionibus per me in hâc parte interpositis, et adhesionibus nomine meo factis, necnon in integrum restitucionibus et aliis juris remediis in predicto negocio michi adquisitis, purè sponte simpliciter liberè et absolutè cedo et renuncio in hiis scriptis, ac potestatem omnem ac omnimodam quibuscunque procuratoribus meis in premissis et eorum singulis primitùs per me datam revoco exnunc palam et expressè, ac super premissis omnibus et singulis, quatenus me ac statum meum concernunt, me ordinacioni, voluntati, et disposicioni reverendi patris, etc., submitto, et promitto me ratum et gratum habiturum quicquid idem pater ordinaverit, disposuerit, et decreverit in hâc parte faciendum.

Et juro ad hec sancta Dei evangelia corporaliter per me tacta me plenè fideliter et integrè observaturum premissas renunciacionem et revocacionem, et in nullo contraventurum, de jure nec de facto, quicquid dictus pater ordinaverit disposuerit seu decreverit in premissis, vel aliquo premissorum, sub penâ centum librarum sterlingorum, medietate illarum camerario domini Pape et reliquâ medietate matrici ecclesie Wyntoniensis pro voluntate domini Willelmi, etc., applicandâ.

[**80a.**] Stowell made his submission at Highclere 11 December.

[**70b.**] Thomas de Yung, to whom the cause (p. 31) stood referred, being unable to attend at the time and place appointed in order to receive evidence on the part of the respondents, m. John de Bukyngham, canon of York, is appointed to take his place :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto nobis in Christo m. Johanni de Bukyngham, canonico ecclesie Eboracensis, s. g. et b. Cum venerabilis vir m. Thomas Yung, clericus noster, in negocio super et de statu ac condicionibus hospitalis nostri sancte Crucis juxta Wyntoniam, nostre diocesis, contra m. Johannem de Edyndone et dominos Ricardum de Lyntesforde, Willelmum de Stowell, et Rogerum de Cloune, successivè custodes hospitalis predicti, ex officio nostro moto commissarius specialiter deputatus legitimè procedens, partes predictas ad dicendum contra dicta et deposiciones testium predictorum ad proximum diem juridicum post festum S. Barnabe apostoli proximò iam venturum, ac comparendum coram eo, vel alio loco suo subrogando, quicquid dicere vel allegare voluerint dicturas et allegaturas, fore decreverit evocandas; et postea prefatus commissarius noster dixit et allegavit se non posse dictis die et loco personaliter interesse, aliis arduis negociis seipsum tangentibus multipliciter, ut asseruit, occupatus.

Ne igitur idem terminus pereat sine fructu, vobis committimus et mandamus, quatenus dictis die et loco in negocio predicto juxta formam retroactorum in eodem negocio habitorum legitimè procedatis, facientes super hiis dictis partibus justicie complementum. Ad que omnia facienda et dictis die et loco exequenda, et ad prefigendum dictis partibus alium terminum competentem ad procedendum ulteriùs in negocio memorato, vobis tenore presencium committimus vices nostras, cum cuiuslibet cohercionis et execucionis canonice potestate.—Southwark, 6 June, 1372.

[**82a.**] Thomas Yung to Wykforde, archdeacon of Winchester, and his official, with instructions to search for certain documents in the diocesan registry.—*Ib.*, 14 Oct.

[**82b.**] Dean of Basingstoke, r. of Highclere, and m. John Frenssch, *scolaris Oxoniensis*,[1] instructed to cite Edyndone, Stowell and Lyntesforde to appear and show cause why the said documents should not be read at the hearing of the cause.—*Ib.*, 13 Nov.

[1] One of this name was a fellow of New College (1396–9), of Winchester College (1399–1405).

[**86b.**] Cloune cited for waste on the motion of Stowell and Lyntesforde[1]:—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis decanis Wyntoniensi, de Andevere, et Drokenesforde, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Denunciantibus nobis dilectis filiis Willelmo de Stowell et Ricardo de Lyntesforde nuper custodibus hospitalis pauperum Sancte Crucis juxta Wynton., nostre diocesis, et pluribus aliis fidedignis, ac super hoc famâ publicâ conclamante, ad nostrum pervenit auditum quod dominus Rogerus de Cloune, custos hospitalis predicti, omnia blada, ferra, animalia, staura, et alia bona et utensilia ad dictum hospitale eciam ab antiquo per fundatores eiusdem nomine elemosine collata et eciam assignata in usus pauperum inibi degencium et ad illud cotidie confluencium et non in alios usus committenda in maneriis et locis dicti hospitalis existencia et inventa, et que pro usibus dictorum pauperum necessariis deberent inibi perpetuò remanere, dissipavit, dilapidavit, consumpsit, alienavit, et distraxit, dissipat indies dilapidat et consumit, distrahit et alienat, in enormem et irrecuperabilem lesionem hospitalis predicti; domos quoque edificia et alia loca, que suorum magna providencia construxerat predecessorum, collabi et ad terram funditùs prosterni suo tempore negligenter permisit. Nos igitur, etc. (Cloune cited to appear before the bishop or his commissary at St. Faith's church on the Monday next after the Conversion of St. Paul and answer these charges.) —Highclere, 19 Jan., 1372–3.

[**102a.**] Commission to priors of Merton and Southwark and two others to give sentence in the cause against Cloune, Edyndone, Stowell, and Lyntesforde.

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis de Mertone et S. Marie de Suthwerke, nostre diocesis, prioribus, ac magistris Johanni Irtelyngburgh, archidiacono Bedefordiensi in ecclesiâ Lincolniensi, et Johanni de Wormenhale, officiali nostro, s. g. et b. Cum in negocio super statu, qualitatibus, et condicionibus hospitalis nostri S. Crucis juxta Wyntoniam, dicte diocesis, contra dominum Rogerum de Cloune, nunc custodem, ac m. Johannem de Edyndone et dominos William de Stowell et Ricardum de Lyntes-

[1] Probably with the object of establishing that any waste since Edyndone's resignation had been committed by Cloune and not by Stowell or Lyntesforde.

forde, dudum successivè custodes hospitalis predicti, usque ad conclusionem in eodem negocio inclusivè per venerabilem virum m. Thomam Yung, canonicum ecclesie Wellensis, nostrum in eâ parte commissarium specialiter deputatum, legitimè sit processum—Nos de vestris fidelitate, circumspeccione et prudenciâ plenam in Domino fiduciam obtinentes, ad cognoscendum et audiendum merita dicti negocii, necnon ad ferendum sentenciam sive pronuntiacionem finalem in negocio supradicto, et illud fine debito terminandum, cum suis emergentibus, etc., ac omnibus quorum interest in hâc parte justicie plenitudinem exhibendum et faciendum, vobis et unicuique vestrûm eciam divisim tenore presencium committimus vices nostras, cum cuiuslibet cohercionis canonice et exequendi que in hâc parte decreveritis potestate.—*Ib.*, 3 Feb., 1372–3.

[**86b.**] The bishop next granted a commission to Thomas de Sheptone and John de Ware to inquire into the truth of the charges against Cloune ; and then finding a *primâ facie* case of waste established (*tanquam de dilapidacione et consumpcione huiusmodi reperto suspecto*) granted a prohibition against alienating any property of the hospital, and cited him to show cause why a coadjutor should not be appointed to administer the temporals of the hospital. Cloune disregarding the citation, the bishop commissioned the dean of Winchester and v. of Twyford to cite him to appear before four trustworthy men of Twyford and four of Owslebury as assessors at Winchester Cathedral on the Wednesday after April 25, and take his trial on the charge of waste :

[**89b.**] Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis decano Wyntoniensi et vicario ecclesie parochialis de Twyforde, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Cum dilecti filii m. Thomas de Sheptone et Johannes de Ware in causâ seu negocio super dilapidacione, consumpcione, alienacione, et distraccione bonorum, staurorum, et aliarum rerum ad hospitale pauperum S. Crucis juxta Wyntoniam, dicte diocesis, in usus pauperum per primum fundatorem ipsius loci assignatorum contra dominum Rogerum de Cloune, custodem hospitalis predicti, ad ipsius anime correccionem et loci hospitalis predicti reformacionem auctoritate nostrâ eis in hâc parte commissâ, ex officio nostro legitimè procedentes, eidem domino Rogero custodi tanquam de dilapidacione et consumpcione huiusmodi reperto

suspecto omne genus alienandi bona hospitalis predicti interdixerunt per decretum, juris ordine in premissis debitè observato, ac eundem dominum Rogerum ad proponendum causam racionabilem, si quam haberet, quare sibi de dilapidacione huiusmodi defamato et suspecto reperto coadjutorem dare minimè deberet, ad certos diem et locum competentes mandaverint et fecerint coram eis legitimè evocari.

Quibus die et loco idem dominus Rogerus, citatus et preconizatus et diutiùs exspectatus, coram prefatis nostris commissariis comparere aliqualiter non curavit, propter quod idem m. Johannes de Ware, noster commissarius prelibatus, servato legitimo processu in hâc parte, de consilio peritorum sibi adsidencium ex habundanti ad inquirendum iteratò super suspicione et diffamacione dicti Rogeri in excessibus prelibatis in formâ juris decrevit legitimè fore procedendum.

Vobis igitur communiter et divisim committimus et mandamus, firmiter injungentes, quatenus citetis seu citari peremptoriè faciatis quatuor viros fidedignos de parochiâ de Twyforde et quatuor viros fidedignos de parochiâ de Ouselbury eiusdem diocesis, quod compereant coram dictis nostris commissariis vel alio nostro commissario per nos in hâc parte specialiter deputando die mercurii proximo post festum S. Marci evangeliste proximè iam venturum in ecclesiâ nostrâ Cathedrali Wyntoniensi, super suspicione et diffamacione antedictâ dilapidacionis, consumpcionis et alienacionis bonorum pauperum hospitalis predicti, de quibus premittitur, et super aliis articulis ex premissis eliciendis, et eis pleniùs exponendis veritate quam noverint testimonio perhibituri, facturi quoque ulteriùs et recepturi in premissis et eorum quolibet per omnia, quod justicia suadebit. Cloune to be cited to attend the inquiry.—*Ib.*, 23 March, 1372–3.

[94a.] Appointment of Richard de Uptone and John de Querneby to be proctors for the bishop in the cause against Edyndone, Stowell, Lyntesforde and Cloune.—*Ib.*, 27 May, 1373.

Cloune having appealed to Rome on the question whether he was liable under the bull "Quia contingit" to produce an inventory, the bishop addressed a letter to Gregory XI, stating that Henry de Blois founded and endowed the hospital with

bishopric estates, yielding more than £300 a year, for the support of thirteen poor men and a daily dinner for one hundred more; that bp. Toclyve, finding the income sufficient to feed many more, after providing eight marks per annum for the master, enjoined that there should be dinner for two hundred poor men daily; that it did not appear from the charter that the foundation was an ecclesiastical benefice, yet some bishops had regarded it as such, and had preferred to it their nephews and other secular clerks, who converted its revenues to their own use, contrary to the constitutions of the church; that the bishop had cited Cloune and his predecessors in the mastership to produce inventories, and had adduced a mass of evidence in support of his right to do so; that the respondents had produced no rebutting evidence and disregarded the citation; and that Cloune had appealed to Rome with the object of delay (intendens super appellacione huiusmodi lites constituere immortales), and was converting the revenues to his own use all the while, contrary to the will of the founder; and praying relief.

[95b.] Bull of the pope in reply, delegating the trial of the question to the bishop of London:—

Gregorius episcopus, servus servorum Dei, venerabili f. episcopo Londoniensi salutem et apostolicam benediccionem. Exhibita nobis pro parte venerabilis fratris nostri Willelmi episcopi Wyntoniensis peticio continebat, quod olim bone memorie Henricus episcopus Wyntoniensis quoddam hospitale pauperum S. Crucis fundatum extra muros Wyntonie et in redditibus ultra valorem trescentarum librarum sterlingorum dotavit, ac ordinavit quod in illo hospitali debiles et imbecilles pauperes tresdecim perpetuò manerent, quibus in victu et vestitu et omnibus aliis vite necessaria sub certâ formâ de bonis dicti hospitalis deberent congruè ministrari; ordinavit eciam, quod preter hos tresdecim quolibet die centum pauperes in ipso hospitali pascantur, prout in fundacione eiusdem pleniùs continetur.

Et quod subsequenter bone memorie Ricardus episcopus Wyntoniensis piè considerans, quod de fructibus dicti hospitalis ad usus pauperum deputatos preter porcionem magistri dicti hospitalis, que ad octo libras sterlingorum secundum taxacionem

decime se extendit, multò plures pauperes possent comodè sustentari, et quod fructus huiusmodi ad usus tam pios deputati in alios usus non deberent committi, ordinavit, quod preter huiusmodi tresdecim personas ducenti pauperes verecundi de bonis hospitalis predicti die quolibet pascerentur; et quod licet ex ordinacione dicti hospitalis non appareret, quod fundator predictus expressè ordinâsset, quod magisterium sive custodia hospitalis huiusmodi in titulum beneficii ecclesiastici aliquibus conferri deberet, seu quod custos vel magister debeat per eleccionem assumi, aliqui tamen episcopi Wyntonienses qui citra fuerunt pro tempore ipsum hospitale eorum nepotibus et aliis clericis secularibus tanquam beneficium ecclesiasticum contulerunt, qui fructus ipsius ad usus tam pios deputatos contra fundatorum ordinacionem in alios usus converterunt, contra canonicas sancciones.

Quodque predictus episcopus Wyntoniensis, patronus et diocesanus hospitalis huiusmodi, videns jura possessiones et domos dicti hospitalis propter negligenciam magistrorum ipsius deformari et deperdi, et piam ordinacionem fundatorum predictorum non teneri, licet ad hoc ipsius hospitalis sufficerent facultates, pio affectu considerans et egestati pauperum compatiens, ad inquirendum de statu dicti hospitalis ex officio nostro processit, et dilectum filium Rogerum de Cloune, presbyterum, pretendentem se dicti hospitalis custodem, et alios eciam ipsius predecessores eiusdem hospitalis custodes requisivit, ut inventaria per ipsos de bonis dicti hospitalis confecta sibi exhiberent et ostenderent, et de ipsorum administracione racionem redderent juxta canonicas sancciones; dictique Rogerus et alii predecessores sic moniti et requisiti illud facere recusârunt, consuetudinem contrariam allegantes; quare pro parte procuratorum officii curie dicti episcopi multa jura fuerunt producta et copie productorum dictis custodibus decrete atque date, et terminus ad dicendum contra producta huiusmodi assignatus; et cum pars adversa contra producta huiusmodi aliqua dicere non curaret, et sentiens, quod in ordinacione et fundacione dicti hospitalis non fuerat ordinatum, sed illud in beneficium cuiquam assignari deberet, nec quod aliquis deberet ad eius custodiam per eleccionem assumi, et quod propterea ad petita de jure artaretur, dictus Rogerus, fingens maliciosè dictum Willelmum episcopum per

predecessorem suum huiusmodi eius titulum inpugnare ab huiusmodi pretensi tituli inpugnacione et a quibusdam aliis confictis gravaminibus ad sedem apostolicam appellavit, intendens super appellacione huiusmodi lites constituere immortales, ut pretextui litis huiusmodi sit pendentis ad facienda petita minimè artari possit, et quod fructus dicti hospitalis ad usus et sustentacionem egenorum piâ consideracione elargiti consumere et dilapidare et in usus suos impunè convertere possit, contra voluntatem et ordinacionem fundatorum predictorum, in ipsorum pauperum qui de eorum cotidianâ sustentacione et elemosinâ defraudantur magnum prejudicium et grave periculum animarum.

Quare pro parte dicti Willelmi episcopi nobis fuit humiliter supplicatum, ut providere in premissis de benignitate apostolicâ dignaremur. Nos itaque huiusmodi supplicacionibus inclinati, fraternitati tue per apostolica scripta mandamus, quatenus vocatis qui fuerint evocandi et auditis hinc inde propositis, quod justum fuerit simpliciter et de plano ac sine strepitu et figurâ judicii huiusmodi appellacione non obstante auctoritate nostrâ, appellacione remotâ, decernas, faciens quod decreveris per censuram ecclesiasticam firmiter observari. Testes autem qui fuerint nominati si se graciâ, odio, vel timore subtraxerint censurâ, simili appellacione cessante, compellas veritati testimonium perhibere, non obstante si eidem Rogero vel quibusvis aliis, communiter vel divisim, a sede predictâ indultum existat, quod interdici, suspendi, vel excommunicari non possint per literas apostolicas non facientes plenam et expressam ac de verbo in verbum de indulto huiusmodi mencionem.—Avignon, 5 Kal. Mart. pontificatûs nostri anno tercio.

[95a.] Memorandum of service on Edyndone, Stowell, and Lyntesforde (Cloune could not be found) of a citation from bishop of London, requiring him to appear on the fourth Sunday after Corpus Christi (June 13), pursuant to above bull.

[97a.] The inquiry before the assessors from Twyford and Owslebury having presumably gone against Cloune, appointment of Nicholas de Kyngestone, r. of Crawley (vol. i, p. 134) to be coadjutor to administer the temporals of the hospital :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio domino Nicholao de Kyngeston,

rectori ecclesie de Crawele, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Dudum discreti viri m. Thomas de Sheptone, etc., et Johannes de Ware, etc., ad infrascripta commissarii specialiter deputati, super suspicione et dilapidacione bonorum, etc., hospitalis pauperum S. Crucis juxta Wyntoniam, dicte diocesis, contra dominum Rogerum de Cloune, custodem eiusdem, ex officio nostro eciam ad denunciacionem dilectorum filiorum dominorum Ricardi de Lyntesforde et Willelmi de Stowell dudum successivè custodum hospitalis predicti legitimè procedentes, quia constabat eisdem commissariis nostris per inquisicionem solempnem dicto Rogero et aliis de jure vocandis ad id debitè evocatis in hâc parte factam eundem Rogerum super dilapidacione bonorum pauperum hospitalis predicti multipliciter et vehementer fore suspectum, virum providum et discretum ac honestum eidem Rogero ex causâ premissâ coadjutorem fore dandum decreverint, et vos coadjutorem dederint per decretum, sine cuius consilio idem Rogerus nichil eorum faciat, que ad administracionem bonorum eiusdem hospitalis pertinent temporalem, et interim omne alienacionis genus eidem Rogero de bonis hospitalis predicti auctoritate nostrâ districciùs interdixerunt, processibus eorum commissariorum nostrorum pleniùs novimus contineri.

Nos volentes dictas sentencias et decreta dictorum commissariorum in hâc parte lata execucioni debite demandare, vobis committimus et mandamus firmiter injungentes quatenus officium coadjutoris huiusmodi in omnibus, que ad administracionem temporalem bonorum hospitalis eiusdem pertinere noscuntur, cum omni diligencie et fidelitatis studio peragatis, ut possitis exinde premium salutis accipere et de fideli diligenciâ meritò commendari: si quos verò contradictores aut rebelles seu vos in execucione dicti officii quomodolibet impedientes forsan inveneritis, eos auctoritate nostrâ per quascunque censuras ecclesiasticas canonicè compescatis, et ad id faciendum vobis vices nostras committimus, cum cuiuslibet cohercionis canonice potestate.—Winchester, 16 July, 1373.

[98b.] Citation of Cloune to appear before the bishop at Esher and answer for stopping the hundred men's daily meal. The daily allowance for each appears to have been a loaf of two and a half pounds, a dish of something in season (juxta

diei convenienciam), and a measure of beer. The daily allowance for each inmate is stated below to be one wheaten loaf of two and a half pounds, and three dishes (fercula) at dinner and one at supper, besides *quant. suff.* of beer :—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis, magistris Johanni de Ware, rectori ecclesie de Wonsyngtone, Hugoni Craft, rectori ecclesie de Waltham, ac domino Nicholao, rectori ecclesie de Crawele, Willelmo rectori S. Laurencii, Wynton., perpetuo vicario ecclesie de Bourne Hussheborne, Petro Clerc, Johanni Douny, clerico, et Henrico de Thorp, apparitori nostro generali, s. g. et b. Clamor validus pauperum et egenorum ad hospitale S. Crucis juxta Wynton. pro elemosynis recipiendis cotidie confluencium et fama publica popularis ad nostrum, quod dolenter referimus, perduxit auditum, quod licet felicis memorie Henricus quondam Wyntoniensis episcopus, predecessor noster, hospitale predictum de suis propriis substanciis[1] pro animabus regum et anime sue propriâ salute fundaverit, ac dotaverit, ac piâ intencione ordinaverit, quod tresdecim pauperibus fratribus et aliis centum pauperibus hominibus illuc cotidie confluentibus ad horam prandii dabitur cuilibet eorundem centum unus panis ponderis quinque marcarum[2] et unum ferculum juxta diei convenienciam et ciphus potûs ad certam mensuram pro eorum indigenciis reficiendis, tamen dominus Rogerus de Cloune, custodem dicti hospitalis se pretendens, dictam elemosinam cotidianam et alias elemosinas inibi debitas et consuetas nequiter subtraxit. Et quia qui alimenta pauperibus debita eis negat distribuere, eos necare videtur, et pia voluntas fundatoris per maliciam dicti Rogeri impeditur minus justè, licet idem Rogerus observare et perficere predicta et alia in ordinacione primi fundatoris dicti hospitalis eciam juramento corporali fuerit et sit astrictus, et ad premissa observanda per nos pluries et districtè monitus atque jussus :—

Nos volentes ex officii nostri debito, ut tenemur, pauperibus huiusmodi, ne suis alimentis defraudentur, que eorum usibus et non aliis piè fuerant ordinata, de congruo remedio providere, vobis communiter et divisim committimus et mandamus, in

[1] See p. 38, top, where Henry de Blois is stated, more correctly, to have endowed the hospital with estates belonging to the See of Winchester.

[2] Two and a half pounds—Apud nos marca duplicata libram efficit.—*Du Cange.*

virtute obediencie firmiter injungentes, quatenus citetis seu citari peremptoriè faciatis prefatum Rogerum de Cloune, quod compereat coram nobis vel nostro commissario in ecclesiâ parochiali de Esshere, nostre diocesis, die mercurii proximo post festum S. Michaelis proximum futuro super subtraccione elemosine supradicte, ac super perjurio et inobedienciâ in hâc parte ex officio nostro ad ipsius Rogeri anime correccionem, et ne dicti pauperes elemosinis huiusmodi eis debitis diutiùs defraudentur objiciendis responsurus, et de veritate dicendâ super premissis personaliter juraturus, facturus quoque ulteriùs et recepturus in hiis, quod justicia suadebit et anime eiusdem expediens fuerit et salubris.

Mandamus eciam et committimus vobis, quod quilibet vestrûm, qui presens recepit mandatum, cum omni celeritate quâ poteritis idem mandatum et omnia et singula in eo contenta eidem domino Rogero denuncietis et denunciet quivis vestrûm et eidem plenariè perlegatis et perlegat, ne ignoranciam ipsius valeat racionabiliter pretendere vel eciam allegare. Terminum verò supradictum propter ipsius Rogeri anime periculum, et ut evitetur diutina defraudacio alimentorum dictorum pauperum, et ob alias causas legitimas sic duxerimus moderandum, statuendum, et eciam assignandum.—Waltham, 6 Sept., 1373.

[99a.] Circular denouncing excommunication against certain who violate the sequestration, invading with force and arms the lands of the hospital and carrying off its effects:—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis Johanni de Wormenhale, officiali nostro, canonico Sarum, et Johanni de Ware, rectori ecclesie de Wonsyngtone et decano Wyntoniensi s. g. et b. Sanctorum patrum cavent salubria instituta, quod omnes et singuli Cantuariensis provincie subditi episcoporum jurisdiccionem in civitatibus vel locis aliis eis subditis debitè exercere volentes, et super hiis que spectant notoriè ad eosdem, seu pro exercicio jurisdiccionis ecclesiastice mandata sua licita et canonica destinancium, execucionesque ipsorum debitè faciendas impediunt vel impedire procurant injustè, necnon in episcoporum vel vicariorum suorum generalium seu officialium suorum principalium sequestra ex causis justis et veris in bonis ecclesiasticis vel aliis in casibus a jure provisis interposita legitimè, injustè violare

presumunt, adeo quod eorum precepta canonica illicitè contempnuntur, maioris excommunicacionis summam incurrunt ipso facto. Nonnulli tamen sue salutis immemores, quorum nomina ignorantur, jurisdiccionem nostram ecclesiasticam circa sequestracionem fructuum et bonorum ecclesiasticorum hospitalis S. Crucis juxta Wyntoniam ex causis legitimis veris et justis nuper interpositam, et eiusdem jurisdiccionis execucionem faciendam, tam apud hospitale predictum quam apud Sparkeforde,[1] Whitchurche, Hussheborne et Bourne,[2] Twyforde, et Ouselbury, et locis aliis ad dictum hospitale pertinentibus impediverunt et impedire procuraverunt injustè, eciam cum armis bellicis resistentes, ac sequestra nostra in fructibus et bonis eiusdem hospitalis ex justis et veris causis interposita post publicacionem eorundem temere violare presumpserunt, et contra exequentes mandata nostra et nuncios ac commissarios nostros eadem deferentes fores et hostia precluserunt et clausa fortiter tenuerunt et tenent eciam in presenti, et sic et aliter jurisdiccionem nostram ecclesiasticam impediverunt et impedire procurârunt temere et injustè, in animarum suarum grave periculum, et aliorum Christi fidelium perniciosum exemplum, maioris excommunicacionis summam contra impedientes et violatores huiusmodi sic, ut premittitur, ipso facto dampnabiliter incurrendo.

Ne igitur excessum huiusmodi detestabilem transeamus sub dissimulacionis clamide impunitum, vobis universis et singulis conjunctim et divisim in virtute sancte obediencie et sub maioris excommunicacionis penâ, quam in personas cuiuslibet vestrûm, si in hiis exequendis negligentes fueritis vel remissi, canonicâ monicione premissâ, culpâ vel morâ vestrâ precedentibus ferimus, in hiis scriptis firmiter injungimus et districtè precipiendo mandamus, quatenus omnes et singulos jurisdiccionem nostram ecclesiasticam in premissis et executores huiusmodi taliter impedientes, necnon sequestrum nostrum huiusmodi publicatum sic, ut premittitur, violantes injustè, in dictam maioris excommunicacionis summam incidisse, et sic excommunicatos fore in omnibus et singulis ecclesiis, tam in nostrâ Cathedrali Wyntoniensi quam in singulis aliis ecclesiis parochialibus civitatis

[1] The real name of the parish in which St. Cross Hospital is situate, now known as St. Faith's, from the dedication of the parish church.

[2] Hurstbourne Tarrant and St. Mary Bourne.

et diocesis nostre Wyntoniensis omnibus diebus dominicis et festivis inter missarum sollemnia, cum maior affuerit populi multitudo, pulsatis campanis, cruce erectâ, candelis accensis et demum extinctis, et cum omni sollempnitate debitâ, publicè nuncietis et nunciet quivis vestrûm et faciatis per alios nunciari eciam in vulgari, ac huiusmodi denunciacione non cessantes, quousque dicti delinquentes jurisdiccionem nostram ecclesiasticam impedientes et sequestrum nostrum sic, ut premittitur, violantes ad gremium ecclesie redierint, et de excessibus huiusmodi satisfecerint et absolucionis beneficium a dictâ summâ a nobis meruerint obtinere, quorum omnium absolucionem a dictâ summâ a singulis penitanciariis nostris expressè adimimus, et persone proprie, extra mortis articulum, specialiter reservamus.

Inquiratis eciam, seu inquirat quivis vestrûm, solicitè et prudenter de nominibus et cognominibus omnium et singulorum jurisdiccionem nostram ecclesiasticam et execucionem eiusdem sic impediencium ac sequestrum nostrum predictum violancium et infringencium, et compellatis auctoritate nostrâ per censuras ecclesiasticas quascunque personas expedire videretis super inquirendo in hâc parte ab eis plenum veritati testimonium perhibere; et quoscunque per inquisicionem huiusmodi culpabiles seu diffamatos inveneritis, citetis seu citari peremptoriè faciatis eosdem, quod certis diebus congruis per vos eis statuendis coram nobis compereant super, prefatis impedimentis jurisdiccionis nostre ac violacione sequestri nostri predicti et aliis excessibus prenotatis eis et eorum cuilibet ad animarum suarum correccionem et salutem, ex officio nostro objiciendis, responsuris, et de veritate dicendâ super eis et eorum quolibet, ac certis interrogatoriis ex premissis eliciendis personaliter juraturis, facturisque ulteriùs et recepturis in hiis quod justicia suadebit.—Sutton, 17 Sept.

Similar letters to dean of Andover and vicars of Whitchurch, Hurstbourne, and St. Mary Bourne.

[99b.] Commission to sequestrate as against Cloune the appropriate rectories of Twyford with Owslebury, Hurstbourne, St. Mary Bourne, Whitchurch, and Fareham; and the pensions charged on the churches of Alverstoke, Upham, Bishop's

Waltham, Exton, East Woodhay, Millbrook, Hinton Ampner, Havant, Michelmersh, and Chilbolton:—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis m. Johanni de Ware, sequestratori nostro in archidiaconatu Wyntoniensi, Hugoni de Crafte, r. ecclesie de Waltham, et domino Nicholao, r. ecclesie de Crawele, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Nuper dum civitatem et diocesim nostram Wyntoniensem, clerum eiusdem et populum eiusdem, cepimus personaliter et actualiter visitare, dominum Rogerum de Cloune, custodem hospitalis pauperum S. Crucis juxta Wynton., nostre diocesis, pretendentem se habere ecclesias parochiales de Twyforde cum capellâ de Ouselbury eidem annexâ, Whitcherche, Hussheboume et Bourne, et Farham in usus proprios possidere, necnon certas pensiones in ecclesiis parochialibus de Alwarstoke, Upham, Waltham, Exton, Wydehay, Mulebroc, Hentone, Havonte, Michelmerssh, et Chilboltone, et aliis ecclesiis parochialibus dicte diocesis percipere se debere, et ad se racione dicti hospitalis pertinere, ad exhibendum titulum et quicquid canonicum per se habuerit super appropriacionibus dictarum ecclesiarum, et detencione ac percepcione pensionum predictarum, ad certos diem et locum in visitacione nostrâ predictâ mandaverimus, et fecerimus coram nobis ad judicium evocari.

Quibus die et loco dictus Rogerus sic citatus, preconizatus, et diutiùs expectatus comparere, nil super jure et titulo appropriacionis dictarum ecclesiarum aut percepcione pensionum predictarum quicquam proponere vel allegare seu fidem de eis facere, non curavit, contumaciam contrahendo manifestam; propter quod ipsum Rogerum non comparentem reputavimus non immeritè contumacem, et in penam contumacie huiusmodi omnes fructus, redditus, et proventus ecclesiarum predictarum ac pensiones predictas eciam occasione injuste subtraccionis elemosine pauperum ad idem hospitale cotidie confluencium ex fundacione dicti hospitalis debite et abolim consuete per ipsum Rogerum notoriè et nephariè subtracte fore decrevimus sequestrandos et sequestravimus per decretum, ac tenore presencium sequestramus, quousque idem Rogerus de stando et parendo juri in hâc parte offerat sufficienter et effectualiter se paratum.

Vobis igitur communiter et divisim committimus et mandamus, firmiter injungentes, quatenus omnes fructus, redditus, et

proventus et pensiones predictos sic per nos fore sequestratos in singulis ecclesiis prelibatis et aliis ecclesiis convicinis diebus dominicis et festivis inter missarum solempnia cum maior affuerit populi multitudo solempniter publicetis et faciatis per alios publicari et sub arto custodiri sequestro, sicut de eis in eventu volueritis respondere. De diebus verò, etc.—Waltham, 6 Sept., 1373.

Similar commission to vicar of Twyford and others for Twyford and Owslebury.—Same date.

[100a.] Commission to collect the hospital rents during the sequestration, for the maintenance of the thirteen brethren and hundred poor:—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis m. Johanni de Ware et Nicholao de Kyngestone, rectori ecclesie de Crawele, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Dudum bone memorie Henricus, quondam episcopus Wyntoniensis, pro salute anime sue et predecessorum suorum ac regum Anglie quoddam hospitale pauperum Christi extra muros civitatis Wynton. de possessionibus et bonis ecclesie nostre Wynton. a Deo collatis devotè instituit sub certis modis, formis, et condicionibus canonicis licitis et honestis, et eciam stabilivit perpetuis temporibus duraturum, necnon a pie et felicis recordacionis domino Innocentio, domino Lucio, et aliis romanis pontificibus, necnon ab illustrissimis principibus Henrico et Ricardo et aliis quam pluribus regibus Anglie catholicis et Deo devotis illud obtinuit confirmari, ut Christi pauperibus in eâdem domo Dei devotè et humiliter cotidie serviatur, modum autem servicii et facte super hoc constitucionis idem predecessor noster talem adjecit, videlicet quod xiij viri pauperes et imbecilles et ita viribus attenuati, ut vix aut nunquam sine alterius adminiculo se valeant sustentare, in eodem hospitali assiduè permanebunt, pro animabus predictis preces Altissimo effundentes, quibus necessaria vestimenta ab eiusdem hospitalis custode preparata dabuntur, et lecti eorum infirmitatibus convenientes, ac panis bonus de frumento ad pensum quinque marcarum, et tria fercula in prandio et unum ad cenam ad diem pertinencia, et potus sufficienter constitutus debeant cotidie ministrari; et si quisquam ex ipsis tresdecim pauperibus ab huiusmodi infirmitate et

debilitate corporis forsitan convaluerit, ille cum honestate emitti debeat et in loco ipsius alius introduci. Ordinavit insuper fundator predictus, et ex fonte caritatis intense Deo placentis adjecit, quod ultra dictos tresdecim pauperes centum alii viri pauperes verecundi, quales poterunt inveniri ampliùs indigentes, cotidie suscipiantur ad horam prandii in hospitali predicto pro animabus prenotatis, quibus et eorum cuilibet cotidie unus panis grossior eiusdem ponderis, cuius supra, et unum ferculum sicut visum fuerit juxta diei convenienciam, et ciphus unus ad certam mensuram, de bonis hospitalis predicti cotidie debeant ministrari; Quibus centum pauperibus a prandio surgentibus quod cuique de cibo vel potu superfuerit licebit liberè tollere et auferre.

Alia quoque beneficia egenis quibuscunque mandavit ordinavit et jussit fundator predictus juxta vires facultatum hospitalis prefati misericorditer impertiri pro animabus predictis, et supradicta omnia in prefatâ domo Dei fundator predictus Sancti Spiritûs graciâ inspiratus devotè constituit indefinenter et fideliter, ut premittitur, adimplenda, et pro dictis oneribus perpetuò supportandis et elemosinis predictis continuè faciendis bona, possessiones, redditus, et proventus sufficiencia piè eidem hospitali de ecclesiâ nostrâ predictâ contulit et perpetuò assignavit ad remedium animarum predictarum. Clamor cum validus pauperum et aliorum Christi fidelium ad dictum hospitale pro dictâ elemosinâ recipiendâ et habendâ confluencium nostrum graviter pulsat auditum et pangit, fama quoque publica et inquisiciones de mandato nostro in hâc parte facte ad nostram audienciam noviter deduxerunt, quod ds. Rogerus Cloune, custodem dicti hospitalis se pretendens, ac Willelmus de Castelforde ipsius deputatus et minister in hâc parte lucrum suum proprium sustentacioni pauperum et voluntati dicti fundatoris Deo placide et accepte subdolè proponentes, et bona huiusmodi pauperibus assignata suis propriis usibus applicare satagentes, et pauperes predictos suis alimoniis cotidianis inhumaniter, ut accepimus, defraudentes, dictam elemosinam, quod dolenter referimus, subtraxerunt perperam et dolosè, et bona predicta in usus alios converterunt.

Super quibus omnibus, tam per inquisiciones inde factas, quam viis et modis aliis legitimis plenariè primitùs informati, ne dicti pauperes suis elemosinis et alimentis eis debitis ampliùs

defraudentur et bona predicta in aliis propriis usibus execrabiliter dissipentur et eciam consumantur, omnes fructus redditus et proventus ad dictum hospitale pertinentes nostre jurisdiccioni ordinarie subjacentes pro eorum salvacione et tuicione ex causis predictis et aliis causis legitimis fore decrevimus sequestrandos, et sequestravimus per decretum, et eos mandavimus et fecimus sub tuto custodiri sequestro.

Verùm quia clamor validus nostrum noviter pulsavit auditum, quod tresdecim pauperes predicti et ministri hospitalis eiusdem propter defectum et carenciam alimentorum elemosine prelibate se in dispersionem ponere erunt coacti, nisi citiùs faciamus eis de oportuno remedio provideri, et predicti alii centum pauperes ad dictum hospitale pro alimoniis habendis cotidie confluere consueti, vacui et sine elemosinis a dicto hospitali contra voluntatem et disposicionem piam fundatoris eiusdem enormiter repelluntur; nos cupientes indigenciis dictorum pauperum succurrere et de remedio congruo providere, vobis communiter et divisim, de quorum fidelitate et prudenciâ plenam in Domino fiduciam obtinemus, committimus ac in virtute obediencie firmiter injungendo mandamus, quatenus ad maneria, rectorias, possessiones, redditus et proventus quoscunque in eis repertos sic per nos, ut premittitur, sequestratos, vestro visui supponentes, tantummodo de eisdem fructibus, redditibus, et proventibus et bonis per visum et testimonium aliorum fidedignorum et ad hoc eligendorum capiatis seu capi faciatis auctoritate nostrâ quantum cotidie racionabiliter sufficere poterit ad sustentacionem dictorum tresdecim et aliorum centum pauperum predictorum ac ministrorum hospitalis predicti, facientes cum omni celeritate per vos vel alterum vestrûm, seu per deputandos a vobis vel altero vestrûm, dictis tresdecim pauperibus panem bonum, etc., ac tantam et talem curetis in premissis exequendis diligenciam adhibere, quod preter retribucionem divinam possitis de fidelitate et elemosine huiusmodi distribucione meritò commendari. Si quos verò contradictores, rebelles, seu vos in execucione premissorum quomodolibet impedientes reppereritis, eos per quascunque censuras ecclesiasticas auctoritate nostrâ canonicè compescatis, et si rebelles huiusmodi seu dictum sequestrum nostrum aliter infringentes forsitan inveneritis, de quibus solicitè inquiratis, citetis seu citari peremptoriè faciatis eosdem, quod die et loco

congruis per vos eis statuendis coram nobis compereant, super huiusmodi contradiccione, rebellione, et impedimento, ac sequestri nostri violacione, eis et eorum cuilibet divisim ad animarum suarum correccionem et salutem ex nostro officio objiciendis responsuri, ac de veritate dicendâ super premissis, et certis interrogatoriis ex eis eliciendis personaliter juraturi, facturi quoque et recepturi super hiis omnibus quod juris fieret et racionis. De diebus verò recepcionis, etc.—Esher, 1 Oct., 1373.

[**101b.**] Commission to hear cause promoted against Cloune and his deputy for breach of the sequestration :—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis clericis nostris m. John de Wormenhale, officiali nostro, et Johanni de Bukyngham, canonico Eboracensi, s. g. et b. Ad cognoscendum, procedendum, statuendum, et diffiniendum in causâ seu negocio que vel quod occasione subtraccionis elemosine pauperum ad hospitale S. Crucis, juxta Wyntoniam, confluencium, necnon perjurii et inobediencie ac violacionis sequestri nostri in bonis dicti hospitalis legitimè interpositi contra dominum Rogerum de Cloune, custodem eiusdem hospitalis se dicentem, movetur ex officio nostro, moverive speratur, necnon contra Willelmum Parham, occasione violacionis eiusdem sequestri nostri eciam solempniter publicati, dictumque negocium cum suis emergentibus, dependentibus, et connexis audiendum et fine debito terminandum, vobis communiter et divisim tenore presencium committimus vices nostras, cum cuiuslibet cohercionis canonice et exequendi que in hâc parte decreveritis potestate. Et nos, dicto negocio terminato, de toto processu vestro in hâc parte habito et habendo clarè et aptè certificetis literis vestris patentibus habentibus hunc tenorem.—Esher, 4 Oct., 1375.

Similar commission, same date, to prior of Winchester Cathedral and the archdeacons.

[**100b.**] Thomas de Baketone, chancellor of the diocese of London, appointed by Simon, bp. of London, to be sub-delegate to hear the cause against Edyndone, Stowell, Lyntesforde, and Cloune :—

Simon, etc., discreto viro m. Thome de Baketone, legum doctori, cancellario nostro, canonicoque ecclesie Lincolniensis,

s. g. et b. Ad cognoscendum et procedendum in causâ nobis a sede apostolicâ specialiter commissâ inter reverendum in Christo patrem dominum Willelmum, etc., ex parte unâ, et dominos Rogerum de Cloune, Johannem Edyndone, Ricardum Lyntesforde, et Willelmum de Stowell, ex parte alterâ, super reformacione et statu domûs sive hospitalis S. Crucis extra muros Wynton., cum omnibus suis emergentibus, dependentibus, et connexis, juxta vim, formam, et effectum literarum apostolicarum nobis in hâc parte directarum, vobis, de cuius circumspeccione et industriâ plenam in Domino ferimus fiduciam, committimus vices nostras, cum cuiuslibet cohercionis canonice potestate, donec eas ad nos duxerimus revocandas.—London, 13 Oct.

[103a.] Thomas de Sheptone commissioned to proceed against William de Castleforde, r. of St. Pancras, Winchester, for non-residence[1]:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio m. Thome de Sheptone, legum doctori, canonico Wellensi, s. g. et b. Ad procedendum ex officio nostro contra dominum Willelmum de Castelforde, rectorem ecclesie S. Pancracii Wyntoniensis, occasione non residencie et voluntarie absencie sue ab ecclesiâ predictâ, nullâ super hoc petitâ licenciâ vel obtentâ, ad anime ipsius correccionem sibi objiciendum et ipsum corrigendum in hâc parte, et canonicè puniendum, cum suis emergentibus, dependentibus, et connexis, necnon ad exequendum sentencias et decreta per vos super hiis facienda, vobis tenore presencium committimus vices nostras cum cuiuslibet cohercionis canonice potestate; mandantes quatenus dicto negocio terminato, nos de toto processu vestro super hoc habendo et habito clarè certificetis literis vestris, etc.—Farnham, 8 Nov.

[101a.] Abbot of Hyde appointed sub-delegate for the convenience of examining witnesses on the spot:—

Simon permissione divinâ Londoniensis episcopus, judex unicus in negocio super et de statu, qualitatibus, et condicionibus domûs elemosinarie sive hospitalis pauperum S. Crucis juxta

[1] Named above, p. 48, as Cloune's deputy. Like his principal, he seems to have been keeping out of the way at this time.

Wyntoniam, Wyntoniensis diocesis, inter venerabilem patrem dominum Willelmum, Dei graciâ episcopum Wyntoniensem, actorem ex parte unâ, et dominos Rogerum de Cloune, Johannem de Edyndone, Ricardum de Lyntesforde, et Willelmum de Stowell, successivè custodes, magistros, sive yconomos hospitalis predicti moto, a sede apostolicâ specialiter delegatus, venerabili et religioso viro, domino abbati monasterii de Hydâ juxta Wyntoniam, ordinis S. Benedicti, Wyntoniensis diocesis, salutem, et mandatis nostris infrascriptis ymo apostolicis efficaciter et humiliter obedire. Cum nos in dicto negocio auctoritate prefatâ inter partes suprascriptas legitimè procedentes, quosdam articulos sive peticionem summariam in dictâ causâ seu negocio per partem dicti patris nobis oblatam, admiserimus in formâ juris, parsque dicti domini episcopi cum instanciâ postulaverit missionem fieri ad partes hospitalis predicti, ubi veritas meliùs posset indagari, pro testibus in dictâ causâ necessariis.

Nos reputantes peticionem predictam fore conformem racioni, missionem huiusmodi, factâ fide que requiritur, fore decrevimus faciendam, vobis quoque auctoritate apostolicâ supradictâ committimus et mandamus in virtute obediencie, quâ sedi apostolice tenemur, firmiter injungentes, quatenus omnes et singulos testes, quos pars dicti patris in dicto negocio coram vobis duxerit producendos in ecclesiâ conventuali monasterii de Hydâ, Wyntoniensis diocesis, in vigiliâ apostolorum Simonis et Jude proximè futurâ, cum continuacione et prorogacione dierum tunc sequencium, quos diem et locum parti dictorum Willelmi, Johannis, et Ricardi prefiximus et assignavimus, ac eidem Rogero assignari fecimus ad interessendum et videndum huiusmodi produccionem et admissionem fieri in formâ juris admittatis, et eos super articulis et summariâ peticione predictis, quos sub nostro sigillo transmittimus inclusos, solicitè examinetis juxta prudenciam a Deo vobis datam, ac deposiciones eorundem testium clarè et plenè in scriptis redactas, et sub vestro sigillo interclusas, nobis et subdelegato nostro ad capellam palacii nostri episcopalis ad proximum diem juridicum post festum commemoracionis animarum proximè futurum unà cum articulis supradictis fideliter et integrè transmittatis, significantes nobis que et quanta fides sit dictis testibus adhibenda, unà cum nominibus et cognominibus eorundem ; testes autem qui vobis fuerint nominati, si se graciâ,

odio, vel timore, subtraxerint, cogatis auctoritate apostolicâ per censuras ecclesiasticas super premissis veritati testimonium perhibere. Ad que omnia et singula facienda et expedienda vobis tenore presencium committimus vices nostras cum cuiuslibet cohercionis canonice potestate. Et qualiter premissa omnia et singula fueritis executi nos vel alium subdelegatum nostrum dictis die et loco clarè et plenariè certificetis literis vestris patentibus, habentibus hunc tenorem.—London, 21 Oct., 1373.

[104a.] Text of Baketone's judgment, omitting a long preamble. The hospital is a hospital within the meaning of the "Quia contingit," and by the charter of foundation as well as by the "Quia contingit," the master is bound to produce an inventory and account of receipts and expenditure to the diocesan yearly. Cloune is sentenced to do this under pain of ecclesiastical censure; all instruments of collation or provision dealing with the hospital as an ecclesiastical benefice are invalid. Cloune is condemned in costs, to be taxed by Baketone.—Dated 5 Dec., 1373:—

Nos igitur Thomas de Baketone, legum doctor, canonicus Lincolniensis, subdelegatus predictus, solum Deum pro omnibus habentes, ipsiusque nomine primitùs invocato, de consilio juris peritorum nobis assidencium investigato per nos toto dicto processu diligenciùs et rimato, ad summe diffinitive inter dictas partes in eâdem causâ prolacionem dictâ parte actrice coram nobis constitutâ, et summam fieri petente, ipsâ parte reâ ad hoc legitimè vocatâ et contumaciter se absente ac contumacem pronunciatâ, procedimus in hunc modum: Auditis per nos et intellectis meritis cause predicte, quia per acta et actitata predicta exhibita et probata in dictâ causâ invenimus partem dicti reverendi patris Wyntoniensis episcopi, intencionem suam in dicto suo libello articulis sive articulo deductam quoad infrascripta sufficienter probâsse, prefatam domum S. Crucis fuisse et esse hospitale seu domum elemosinariam in suâ primariâ fundacione pro Christi pauperibus debilibus et imbecillibus ad plenum numerum de quo premittitur, videlicet de xiij fratribus secularibus, centum pauperibus in formâ superiùs in ipsis articulis, de quibus prefertur, deductâ, alendis, recipiendis, et sustentandis de bonis et substanciis eiusdem hospitalis per fundatorem ipsius

prefundatum et dotatum ; quodque in dicto hospitali sive elemosinariâ fundacione nullatenus cavetur, quod idem hospitale potuit aut debuit imperpetuum beneficium conferri, seu per eleccionem ad eandem aliquis assumi : Quodque ab antiquo eciam tempore edicionis dicte constitucionis Clementis pape quinti, que incipit *Quia contingit*, ante et citra, per clericos seculares custodes seu magistros temporales eiusdem ex provisione, collacione, prefeccione, seu disposicione reverendorum patrum episcoporum Wyntoniensium deputatos solebat gubernari, magistrosque seu custodes omnes et singulos ad prestacionem juramenti, confeccionem inventarii, et racionem compoti de jure, et presertim post edicionem et artacionem dicte constitucionis Clementine, juxta formam et effectum dicte constitucionis, artatos fuisse et efficaciter obligatos pro huiusmodi naturâ et condicione dicte domûs elemosinarie, ipsumque dominum Rogerum, nunc custodem, ac magistrum Johannem de Edyndone, Willelmum de Stowell, ac Ricardum Lyntesforde, successivè custodes hospitalis sive domûs elemosinarie supradicte, omnesque magistros et custodes dicte domûs cunctis futuris inibi preficiendos, ad prestandum juramentum et conficienda inventaria fidelia et plena de omnibus bonis hospitalis sive domûs elemosinarie predicte ; illa quoque inventaria loci diocesano, seu deputando ab eo, exhibenda, et racionem de administracionibus suis de bonis huiusmodi diocesano, seu alii ab ipso deputato seu deputando, annuatim reddendo, ac ad huiusmodi pauperes debiles et imbecilles in dictâ domo sive hospitali Sancte Crucis juxta modum numerum et formam premissos alendos, recipiendos, et sustentandos de bonis et substanciis eiusdem hospitalis per fundatores ipsius piè fundati et dotati, ut premittitur, pro temporibus suis successivis fuisse, futurosque magistros sive custodes perpetuis temporibus fore obligatos, ipsumque dominum Rogerum de Cloune dicti hospitalis nunc custodem ad omnia et singula premissa fuisse et esse obligatum, ac eundem dominum Rogerum de Cloune ad huiusmodi prestandum juramentum ac conficiendum inventarium fidele et plenum, illudque loci diocesano exhibendum, et racionem de administracione suâ bonorum dicti hospitalis diocesano huiusmodi annuatim reddendum, ac custodes dicti hospitalis, ac custodes dicti hospitalis, qui pro tempore fuerunt, dictosque Johannem, Willelmum, et

Ricardum, successivè custodes dicti hospitalis sive domûs elemosinarie predicte futurosque magistros sive custodes perpetuis futuris temporibus inibi preficiendos, ad reddendam dicti loci diocesano, vel deputando ab eo, de administracionibus suis de bonis dicti hospitalis pro temporibus suis successivis racionem juxta formam dicte constitucionis Clementine *Quia contingit*, et cuiusdam alterius constitucionis bone memorie Urbani pape quinti eciam inde facte et promulgate, ac juris exigenciam predictam, teneri et firmiter obligari effectualiter compelli, et per censuras ecclesiasticas. Omnes insuper collaciones, provisiones, seu ordinaciones de dictâ domo elemosinariâ sive hospitalis per quoscunque, quâvis auctoritate predictâ personis, ut de beneficio ecclesiastico simplici, facte seu faciende, tanquam fundacioni predicte domûs et dicte constitucioni premissisque aliis contrarias et repugnantes carere omni robore firmitatis et aliter invalidas, salvâ sedis apostolice auctoritate. Quodque ceteris bonis dicti hospitalis quatuor presbyteri, tredecim clerici seculares, et septem pauperes clerici in ecclesiâ dicti hospitalis in divinis servituri et ministraturi, de more et consuetudine antiquis consueverunt, debuerunt, et debent sustentari, pretextu et occasione eciam oneris centum pauperum per bone memorie Ricardum, quondam Wyntoniensem episcopum, adiectorum penitus cessantis.

Alia insuper bona dicti hospitalis egenis quibuscunque misericorditer distribui debere, juxta facultates ipsius domûs ac ipsius fundacionem primariam, salvâ tamen ipsius custodis porcione, juxta fundacionem et ordinacionem antiquas eiusdem domûs primarias et alia racionabiliter debita in hâc parte, per nostram summam diffinitivam pronunciamus et declaramus in hiis scriptis, ac ipsum dominum Rogerum de Cloune, nunc custodem dicte domûs, in expensis legitimis per partem dicti domini Willelmi episcopi Wyntoniensis in hâc causâ factis insuper condempnamus, taxacione earum dicto domino delegato aut nobis imposterum reservatâ.

[**102b.**] Notarial act on the submission of Lyntesforde at Highclere, 6 Jan., 1372–3 :—

In Dei nomine, Amen. Anno ab incarnacione Domini secundum cursum et computacionem ecclesie Anglicane millesimo CCCLXXIJ, indiccione undecimâ, mensis Januarii die sextâ,

pontificatûs sanctissimi in Christo patris et domini, domini Gregorii, divinâ providenciâ pape undecimi, anno tercio, constitutus personaliter coram venerabili patre et domino, domino Willelmo, etc., in capellâ dicti patris infra manerium suum de Altâ Clerâ, Wyntoniensi diocese, situatâ, in mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presenciâ, discretus vir dominus Ricardus de Lyntesforde, quondam magister sive custos hospitalis Sancte Crucis juxta Wyntoniam, Wyntoniensi diocese, quandam cedulam, quam in manu suâ tenebat, palam et publicè perlegit, cessit, et renunciavit, ac juravit ad sancta Dei evangelia per eum corporaliter tacta, ac procuratores suos revocavit, non vi, metu, fraude, vel dolo ad hoc inductus, set spontaneâ suâ voluntate, ut in notario appendicio ad premissa excitatur, et motus, prout in eâdem cedulâ pleniùs continetur ; eandem quoque cedulam sic perlectam in manibus dicti domini Wyntoniensis episcopi tradidit, et penes eundem patrem dimisit. Tenor verò dicte cedule per omnia est talis :—

In Dei nomine, Amen. Ego Ricardus de Lyntesforde, dudum magister sive custos hospitalis sive domûs elemosinarie pauperum Sancte Crucis juxta Wyntoniam, Wyntoniensi diocese, considerans et attendens per varias tam literas apostolicas quam aliàs per documenta legitima et alias evidencias et informaciones ex officio reverendi patris, etc., loci diocesani et patroni, in judicio et extra occasione predicti hospitalis contra me instituto revelata, et exhibita, quod dictum hospitale sive domus elemosinaria per bone memorie Henricum fratrem germanum Stephani regis Anglie, quondam episcopum Wyntoniensem, pro sustentacione pauperum et debilium ad idem hospitale confluencium primò fundatum extitit et dotatum de bonis fundatoris predicti, et quod huiusmodi bona omnia et singula in usus pauperum predictorum sunt, et non in alios, committenda, exceptâ racionabili et moderatâ sustentacione magistri seu custodis predicti, prout liquet clarè in cartâ primarie fundacionis eiusdem ; attendens quoque, quod tam vigore constitucionis Urbani pape quinti super dictâ materiâ constitute quod magistri, custodes, seu rectores huiusmodi hospitalium tenentur de bonis eorundem per eos administratis annuatim reddere racionem ; ex causis premissis racionabiliter me moventibus omni liti processui et prosecucioni eiusdem contra me causâ premissâ coram dicto reverendo

patre, vel eius commissariis quibuscunque, et presertim coram venerabili viro m. Thomâ Yung, dicti patris commissario in hâc parte specialiter deputato, inchoatis et diutiùs continuatis pendentibus indecisis, necnon omnibus et singulis appellacionibus et provocacionibus per me in hâc parte interpositis, et adhesionibus nomine meo factis, necnon in integrum restitucionibus et aliis juris remediis in predicto negocio michi adquisitis, purè, sponte, simpliciter, libere, et absolutè cedo et renuncio in hiis scriptis, et potestatem omnem et omnimodam quibuscunque procuratoribus meis in premissis, et eorum singulis, primitùs per me datam revoco ex nunc palam et expressè; ac super premissis omnibus et singulis, quatenus me et statum meum concernunt, me ordinacioni, voluntati, et disposicioni reverendi patris, etc., submitto, promittens me ratum et gratum habiturum quicquid idem pater ordinaverit, disposuerit, aut decreverit in hâc parte faciendum. Et juro ad hec sancta Dei evangelia corporaliter per me tacta me plenè, fideliter, et integrè observaturum premissas renunciacionem et revocacionem, et in nullo contraventurum, de jure nec de facto, quicquid dictus pater ordinaverit, disposuerit seu decreverit in premissis, vel aliquo premissorum, sub penâ centum librarum sterlingorum, medietate illarum camere domini pape, et reliquâ medietate fabrice ecclesie Wyntoniensi, pro voluntate domini Willelmi Wyntoniensis episcopi applicandâ. Et idem venerabilis pater Wyntoniensis episcopus prefatam cedulam sic, ut premittitur, perlectam et sibi traditam et liberatam de manibus dicti domini Ricardi benigniter admisit, et omnia et singula in eâdem cedulâ contenta, quatenus ad eundem patrem et eius officium attinuit, ad rogatum dicti Ricardi acceptavit et eciam approbavit. — Acta sunt hec anno, indiccione, mense, die, pontificatu et loco prenotatis, presentibus nobili viro domino Edmundo Avenel, milite, ac Henrico Sturmy, vicecomite de Wiltes, ac venerabilibus et discretis viris magistris Johanne de Bukyngham, canonico Eboracensi, Johanne de Campeden, canonico ecclesie collegiate Suthwellensis, Ebor. dio., domino Willelmo de Stowell, rectore ecclesie parochialis de Burghclere, Wyntoniensis diocesis, necnon Johanne de Essex et Willelmo Knyght clericis et notariis publicis apostolicis, testibus ad premissa vocatis specialiter et rogatis.

Et ego, Johannes dictus de North Kelleseye, Lincolniensis

diocesis clericus, publicus auctoritate apostolicâ notarius, premissis cedule lecture cessioni renunciacioni revocacioni, ac juramenti prestacioni et omnibus aliis et singulis suprascriptis, dum sic, ut prefertur, agerentur et fierent, sub anno indiccione mense die pontificatu et loco prenotatis, unà cum dictis testibus presens interfui, eaque sic, ut premittitur, fieri vidi et audivi, et ipsa aliis arduis negociis occupatus per alium scribi feci, meque hic subscripsi et signum meum consuetum de mandato dicti domini Wyntoniensis episcopi, et ad rogatum dicti Ricardi, huic instrumento apposui, in fidem et testimonium omnium premissorum.

[104b.] Extract from a notarial act dated 11 June, 1374, recording Cloune's submission. He swears that he will render accounts, and is absolved, being enjoined in name of penance to perform his promise:—

Subsequenter vero die duodecimâ mensis Junii, anno, indiccione, et pontificatu supradictis, in ecclesiâ S. Pauli Londoniensis, in mei notarii publici infrascripti ac venerabilium virorum magistrorum Johannis de Schilyngforde, Willelmi Byde, Willelmi Lozyng supradictorum, m. Ricardi de Warmyngtone, notarii publici apostolici, et aliarum testium ad hoc specialiter vocatorum et rogatorum presenciâ, coram venerabili viro m. Thomâ de Baketone, subdelegato supradicto, in causâ memoratâ, personaliter constitutus ds. Rogerus de Cloune supradictus promisit et juravit ad sancta Dei evangelia per ipsum corporaliter tacta, sicut et prout inferiùs continetur. Forma autem sive tenor dicti instrumenti, prout in quâdam papiri cedulâ, quam tunc ibidem in manibus suis tenens perlegit, continebatur, de verbo ad verbum per omnia talis est:—

In Dei nomine, Amen. Ego Rogerus de Cloune, pretensus custos sive magister domûs elemosinarie sive hospitalis S. Crucis juxta Wyntoniam, Wyntoniensis diocesis, juro per hec sancta Dei evangelia per me corporaliter tacta, quod inventarium seu inventaria de bonis ipsius hospitalis sive domûs conficiam pro annis singulis quibus ibidem custos fui sive magister, et racionem sive calculum de administracione meâ de bonis antedictis pro temporibus supradictis, reverendo in Christo patri, domino Willelmo, Dei graciâ nunc episcopo Wyntoniensi, eiusdem domûs sive hospitalis patrono et diocesano, deputato vel depu-

tando ab eodem, reddam juxta formam et effectum capituli *Quia contingit* editi in hâc parte, cum super hoc per partem dicti reverendi patris fuero congruè requisitus; quodque ipsam constitucionem Clementinam, quatenus ad me attinet, pro temporibus meis in omnibus et per omnia observabo.

Quibus sic peractis prefatus m. Thomas subdelegatus ipsum dominum Rogerum de Cloune, prestito primitùs per eundem de stando mandatis ecclesie in hâc parte ad sancta Dei evangelia juramento corporali, a quibuscunque suspensionis et excommunicacionis sentenciis et aliis censuris ecclesiasticis per eundem subdelegatum auctoritate apostolicâ in eundem dominum Rogerum propter suas contumacias seu manifestas offensas in prefatâ causâ per ipsum contractas latis auctoritate apostolicâ sibi in hâc parte commissâ, absolvit, et sacramentis ecclesie restituit, eidemque pro penitenciâ speciali in eâ parte injunxit quod idem ds. Rogerus dictum juramentum per ipsum sic prestitum, ac omnia alia et singula superiùs recitata, quatenus ipsum concernebant, fideliter observaret; que per omnia se observaturum et facturum fideliter promisit.

Subsequenter verò eâdem die duodecimâ mensis Junii supradicti, in ecclesiâ conventuali beate Marie de Overey in Suthwerke, Wyntoniensi diocese, venerabilis vir m. Willelmus Lozyng . . . in hâc parte specialiter deputatus, ut asseruit, in mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presenciâ prefatum dominum Rogerum de Cloune, tunc ibidem personaliter constitutum, juratum primitùs de stando mandatis ecclesie in hâc parte, a quibuscunque sentenciis suspensionis et excommunicacionis, quas racione contumaciarum suarum seu manifestarum offensarum per ipsum in dictâ causâ contractarum incurrebat, absolvit auctoritate dicti patris sibi in hâc parte commissâ; et ipsum sacramentis ecclesie restituit; eidem domino pro penitenciâ suâ in eâ parte specialiter injungendo, quatenus omnia et singula premissa per ipsum facta et jurata, prout superiùs recitantur, quatenus posset et ipsum concernebant, perficeret et fideliter observaret.

[103 a.] Castelforde, having absconded, is excommunicated for non-residence:—

In Dei nomine, Amen. Per presens publicum instrumentum

cunctis appareat evidenter quod anno ab Incarnacione Domini secundum cursum et computacionem ecclesie Anglicane millesimo CCC^mo^ LXXXIIJ, indiccione duodecimâ die martis proximo post festum S. Leonardi martyris, octavo die mensis Novembris, pontificatûs sanctissimi in Christo patris et domini nostri, domini Gregorii, divinâ providenciâ pape undecimi, anno tercio, in ecclesiâ parochiali de Farnham, Wyntoniensi diocese, in mei notarii publici subscripti et testium subscriptorum presenciâ personaliter, constitutus providus et discretus vir m. Thomas de Sheptone, legum doctor, reverendi in Christo patris et domini domini Willelmi, etc., ad procedendum contra Willelmum Castelforde, dicentem se rectorem ecclesie S. Pancracii Wyntoniensis, occasione non residencie sue in ecclesiâ predictâ, et aliter commissarius specialiter delegatus, prout ex commissione sibi in hâc parte factâ manifestè apparuit, sedens pro tribunali in ecclesiâ parochiali de Farnham predictâ, perlecto primitùs coram eo certificatorio, per quod constabat dictum Willelmum ad eosdem diem et locum peremptoriè fuisse citatum super eo, quod idem Willelmus rectorem dicte ecclesie S. Pancracii se dicens, parochianorum curam animarum habentis et residenciam continuam requirentis, se a dictâ ecclesiâ absque diocesani sui licenciâ et dispensacione per non modica tempora temerè absentavit, curam et regimen eiusdem ecclesie et animarum parochianorum ipsius deserendo, idem commissarius publicè prefecit prefatum Willelmum preconizari; quem sic preconizatum diutiùs expectatum, nullo modo comperentem, pronunciavit contumacem, et in penam contumacie huiusmodi ipsum Willelmum excommunicavit in scriptis.

Acta sunt hec, etc.

[**10 b.**] St. Mary's Abbey, Winchester. Abbess ordered to receive Joan Testwode as a novice:—

William, per la grace Dieu evesq de Wyncestre, a noz chers et bien amez filles en Dieu labbesse et covent de la meson de notre dame de Wyncestre salutz ove le benecceon de notre Sieur. Come du droit de notre esglise de Wyncestre soietz tenuz a receure une damoisele en seor et nonaigne entre vous en votre meson susdit, quele nous vous voldroions nomer, pur cause de notre consecracion: si vous envoions per cestes noz lettres notre

cher et bien ame Johane Testwode, jeovene damoisele, et de bone condicion, come nous sumez enformez; et vous mandoins et chargeons, qe la dite Johane resceuetz en seor et nonaigne entre vous en votre meson, pur cause susdit, et la tretetz et enformez en ycellc, solonc votre reule, et a lui faites ministrer, come apertient et reson est, en votre meson avant dite. En tesmoignance de quelle chose a noz presentes lettres avoms fait mettre notre seal. Don a notre chastel de Wolveseye, le ix iour de Juyl, lan del incarnacion notre Sieur mil CCC^{m} sessante utyme, et lan de notre consecration primer.

Mapelderham prebend in collegiate church of Bosham. Commission directed by Brantingham, bp. of Exeter, at request of Nicholas Wykeham, the prebendary (vol. i, p. 46), to John de Uphulle, r. of Havant, and others, to assess dilapidations on the prebendal estate against Richard Champes, the outgoing tenant.—London, 17 July, 1368.

[**11a.**] Dispensation on account of illegitimacy (*super defectu natalium*) granted to Richard de Kersaltone on recommendation of Cardinal title S. Laurentii in Lucinâ, dated at Viterbo, 30 July, 5 Urban V.—Esher, 2 June.

[**11b.**] Wherwell Abbey. Abbess ordered to receive Joan Krompe as a novice:—

William per la grace de Dieu evesque de Wyncestre, a noz chers et bien aimez filles en Dieu abbesse et covent de Wherewell, de nostre diocese, salutz ove la grace et la beneceon notre Sieur. Porceo qe vous estes tenuz a resceyure un damoisele quelle nous vous serrons nomer en nonaigne a demorer entre vous en votre maison pur cause de nostre consecracion, quel estat avoms grante en oeuvre de charité a Johanne Krompe, qest de bone et honeste condiçion, come nons sumes enformes;—vous mandouns et chargeouns qe a quelle heure que la dite Johanne viegne devers vous ove cestes nos lettres la facetez resceure bonemente a demorer entre vous come votre soer et nonaigne, et lui voillez treter, ministrer, et enformer selonc vostre reule en manere come vos avetz faits aynz ces hures as autres en cas semblable. En tesmoignance, etc.—Southwark, 14 Oct., 1367.

Chalton. Licence of non-residence for one year granted to Andrew de Wolde (vol. i, p. 50), with usual clauses.—*Ib.*, 18 Nov., 1368.

[Renewed 2 Jan., 1368–9.]

Probate of will of Sir Thomas de Uvedale,[1] kt., granted to dame Benet, his widow (vol. i, p. 50), William Hagham, r. of East Barming, and William Tirwhite, the other executors, having renounced.—*Ib.*, 17 Nov.

[**16a.**] Discharge of the executrix, the estate being administered.—Southwark, 1 Nov., 1368.

[**11b.**] Dispensation *super defectu natalium* granted to John Belchamp, acolyth, on recommendation of Cardinal title S. Laurentii in Lucinâ.—Wolvesey, 18 July.

[**12a.**] Warminster prebend. Resignation of John de Bottele, canon of Wells, of the prebend of Wermynstre, in Wells Cathedral.—Southwark, 23 May.

Discharge of administrators of estate of John Strange of Southwark.—Same date.

Seyntclere's case. Complaint of Lucy Romeseye that whereas Seyntclere lately contracted matrimony with her *per verba de presenti, subsequente copulâ*, he now refuses to marry her *in facie ecclesie*, and in order to avoid citation has withdrawn himself from the diocese and is in hiding in the diocese of London. Commission to dean of arches to cite him to appear at Winchester Cathedral and answer the complaint:—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis nobis in Christo, domino decano ecclesie de arcubus Londoniis, necnon officiali domini archidiaconi Londoniensis, s. g. et b. Exposuit nobis dilecta in Christo filia Lucia Romeseye graviter conquerendo, quod Willelmus Seyntclere cum eâdem Luciâ nuper matrimonium in nostrâ diocesi per verba de presenti contraxit, carnali copulâ inter eos

[1] The will, extracted from archbp. Langham's Register, will be found at length in Notices of the Family of Uvedale, by Granville Leveson-Gower; and see *Rymer's Foedera*, vol. iii, part ii, 146.

postmodum subsecutâ, set idem Willelmus per partem dicte Lucie sepius et congruè requisitus matrimonium huiusmodi in facie ecclesie solempnizare seu solempnizari facere, recusavit expressè; cumque idem Willelmus extra nostram diocesim in locis vestre jurisdiccioni subjectis maliciosè et fraudulenter, ne citacio nostra super hoc ad eum valeat pervenire, famâ publicâ super hoc laborante, latitare dicatur, discrecionem vestram eciam divisim sub mutuo vicissitudinis obventu et in juris subsidium instanter requirimus et rogamus, quatenus eundem Willelmum Seyntclere in locis vestre jurisdiccionis sic, ut premittitur, latitantem citare seu citari facere peremptoriè velitis, quod die lune, etc., compereat coram officiali nostro vel eius commissario in ecclesiâ nostrâ Wyntoniensi, parti dicte Lucie super premissis de justiciâ responsurus ac juri pariturus, facturusque et recepturus quod justicia suadebit. Et quid in premissis feceritis, etc.—*Ib.*, 20 May.

[**12 b.**]—Andwell and St. Cross priories sequestrated for dilapidations.[1]

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis, officiali nostro in archidiaconatu Wyntoniensi et preposito S. Elizabethe juxta Wyntoniam, s. g. et b. Sonus gravis clamoris et fama publica nostrum pulsârunt auditum, quod bona spiritualia et temporalia prioratuum de Enedwelle et S. Crucis in Insulâ Vectâ, nostre diocesis, ad cultum divinum et usus ecclesie antiquis temporibus ex devocione fidelium deputata, per culpas, negligencias, et incurias priorum et aliorum ministrorum eorundem miserabiliter sunt deperdita et collapsa; domus quoque et edificia ipsorum prioratuum in ruinam irreparabilem deciderunt, et ipsorum prioratuum exinanicio et consumpcio universalis subito evenire verisimiliter formidatur, nisi celeriùs super hoc provideatur de remedio oportuno.

Nos igitur, ad quem cura et regimen personarum et locorum spiritualium nobis subjectorum summe pertinere noscuntur, volentes occurrere dispendiis, et, ne pereant, salubriter providere,

[1] Andwell priory, situate four miles N.E. of Basingstoke, and St. Cross priory, situate on the Lugley brook near its junction with the river Medina, below Newport in the Isle of Wight, were alien priories belonging to the Benedictine monastery of Tiron (see p. 14, n.). The bishop bought them in 1391, to endow his new college at Winchester. The chapel and portions of the priory house at Andwell are standing. The priory house at St. Cross was taken by the Freshwater, Yarmouth, and Cowes Railway Company about ten years ago, and pulled down.

presertim ne bona ipsorum prioratuum, de quorum dilapidacione et consumpcione spes notoria et infallibilis se ostendit, per manus insolencium dissipentur, bona omnia et singula ecclesiastica dictorum prioratuum, salvis rite necessariis ministrancium in eisdem, ex causis premissis ne pereant, fore decrevimus sequestranda, et ea tenore presencium sequestramus, vobisque conjunctim et divisim committimus et mandamus, firmiter injungentes, quatenus omnia et singula bona prioratuum predictorum, in quorumcunque manibus consistunt, ex causâ premissâ auctoritate nostrâ sequestretis, et sub arto sequestro custodiri faciatis, non permittentes quemquam alium de ipsis se intromittere vel disponere, absque nostrâ licenciâ quovismodo. Contradictores quoque et rebelles, seu vos in execucione premissorum quomodolibet impedientes, per censuras ecclesiasticas auctoritate nostrâ canonicè compescatis, dictum quoque sequestrum in prioratibus predictis, ecclesiis, et locis aliis solempnibus convicinis publicetis seu faciatis debitè publicari, ne quis ipsius ignoranciam pretendere valeat, seu racionabiliter allegare.

Et talem super his custodiam faciatis adhiberi, ne de negligenciâ, culpâ, vel desidiâ valeatis meritò redargui seu notari. Et quicquid super hoc inveneritis, sequestraveritis, et feceritis, unà cum valore bonorum sic per vos sequestratorum, et in quibus rebus, et in quorum manibus constiterit, nos ante festum S. Trinitatis proximè futurum clarè et distinctè certificetis literis vestris patentibus habentibus hunc tenorem.—*Ib.*, 13 May.

Pirbright chapel. Sequestrator ordered to obtain payment of the procuration due for reconciling this chapel, which had been polluted by the shedding of blood therein. Gervase de Castro, bp. of Bangor (vol. i, p. 251), had performed the ceremony under a commission from the bishop.

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio sequestratori nostro in archidiaconatu Surreiensi, s. g. et b. Cum nuper venerabilis pater dominus Gervasius, Dei graciâ Bangorensis episcopus, capellam de Pyrbryght, nostre diocesis, violentâ sanguinis effusione pollutam reconciliasset vice nostrâ, cuius pretextu procuracio nobis debita non est hactenus persoluta, pro cuius solucione faciendâ Willelmus Chervere, rector ecclesie de Werplesdone, Johannes Danhurst, Walter Ladde, et Andreas atte Doune, parochiani de

Pyrbryght, fide mediâ sunt astricti[1]:—Tibi committimus et mandamus, firmiter injungentes, quatenus dictam procuracionem nobis debitam a prefatis manucaptoribus eiusdem cum omni celeritate exigas, et leves, colligas, et ad opus nostrum recipias, et compellas auctoritate nostrâ per quascunque ecclesiasticas censuras personas predictas ad solucionem procuracionis predicte; et ipsam nobis per fidelem nuncium sub tutâ custodiâ transmittas; certificans nos, etc.—*Ib.*, 21 Feb., 1367–8.

[9b.] License of non-residence for one year granted to Thomas Joskyn (vol. i, p. 29), r. of Hambledon, Surrey, for a pilgrimage to Rome.—*Ib.*, 23 March.

M. John de Waltham and others appointed proctors and joint vicars-general for Cardinal Mark, title S. Praxedis,[2] and one of the canons of York, in place of the bishop:—

Noverint universi quod nos Willelmus . . . . procurator et vicarius generalis reverendi in Christo patris et domini, domini Marci, tt. S. Praxedis, sacrosancte Romane ecclesie presbyteri cardinalis, canonici et prebendati in ecclesiâ Eboracensi de canonicatu et prebendâ quos obtinere solebat quondam bone memorie ds. Elias, dum vixit, episcopus Hostiensis, sufficienter, legitimè, ac literatoriè constitutus, prout in quibusdam literis procuratoriis dicti domini cardinalis, sigillo suo signatis, ac signo et subscripcione Johannis de Brouks, *alias* de Derleke, clerici Tornacensis, dicti domini cardinalis notarii et scribe, ut asseritur, consignatis, pleniùs continetur, habentes inter cetera in literis procuratoriis supradictis contenta potestatem nobis datam alios procuratores et vicarios generales ad contenta in literis predictis

[1] *i.e.*, as guarantors.

[2] The following list of patriarchal churches at Rome and the titles of the Cardinals in each is given by Du Cange:—"Prima patriarchialis ecclesia est ecclesia Lateranensis. Hæc septem Cardinales episcopos habebat, qui dicebantur Collaterales. Hi sunt episcopi Ostiensis, Portuensis, S. Rufinæ, Albanensis, Sabinensis, Tusculanus, et Prenestinus.

"Secunda est S. Mariæ, Major dicta, pariter sub se habebat septem Cardinales presbyteri, scilicet Cardinales S. S. Apostolorum Philippi et Jacobi, S. Cyriaci in Thermis, S. Eusebii, S. Pudentianæ, S. Vitalis, S. S. Petri et Marcellini, et S. Clementis.

"Tertia ecclesia S. Petri est, in quâ subeunt septem Presbyteri Cardinales, scilicet S. Mariæ trans Tiberim, S. Chrysogoni, S. Ceciliæ, S. Anastasiæ, S. Laurentii in Damaso, S. Mariæ, S. S. Martini et Silvestri.

"Quarta est Basilica S. Pauli, in quâ erant Cardinales S. Sabinæ, S. Prisci, S. Balbinæ, S. S. Nerei et Achillei, S. Sixti, S. Marcelli, et S. Susannæ.

"Quinta est S. Laurentii extra muros, in quâ erant hi Cardinales, S. Praxedis, S. Laurentii in Lucinâ, S. S. Quatuor Coronatorum, S. Stephani in Monte Cœlio et S. Quiricii.

"Præter hos titulos sunt diaconi xviii et subdiaconi xxi."

exequenda loco nostro substituendi, dilectos nobis in Christo m. Johannem de Waltham, officialem Eboracensem, et Henricum de Ingelby, dicte ecclesie Eboracensis canonicos, ac dominum Johannem de Stoke, clericum, conjunctim et divisim, et quemlibet eorum insolidum, ita quod non sit melior condicio occupantis, juxta omnem vim, formam, et effectum procuratorii memorati, dicto domino cardinali constituenti et nobis procuratori eiusdem substituimus per presentes, sigillo nostro munitas, quod ad fidem pleniorem fecimus hiis apponi.—*Ib.*, 24 Dec.

Dispensation *super defectu natalium*[1] to John Austyn, clerk, dated at Esher, 2 June, 1368, pursuant to following indulgence:

Venerabili in Christo patri dei graciâ episcopo Wyntoniensi, vel eius vicario in spiritualibus, Guillermus, miseracione divinâ tt. S. Laurencii in Lucinâ presbyter Cardinalis, salutem, etc. Ex parte Johannis Austyn, clerici, vestre diocesis, fuit nobis humiliter supplicatum, ut cum eo super defectu natalium quem patitur de soluto genitus et solutâ, et quia tanto de dicto defectu se fecit aliter tamen rite clericali caractere insigniri, quod, premissis non obstantibus, dicto caractere uti possit, et ad omnes ordines promoveri, ac ecclesiasticum beneficium obtinere, eciam si curam habeat animarum, sedes apostolica, quam propter guerras et viarum pericula visitare non potest, dispensare misericorditer dignaretur.

Nos igitur, auctoritate domini pape, cuius penitenciarii curam gerimus, et de eius commissione in talibus generaliter nobis factâ, circumspeccioni vestre committimus, quatenus si est ita, consideratis diligenter circumstanciis universis, que circa idoneitatem persone fuerint attendende, si paterne non est incontinencie imitator, set bone conversacionis et vite, sufficientisque literature, super quibus vestram intendimus conscienciam onerare, aliaque sibi merita suffragantur, ad huiusmodi dispensacionis graciam obtinendam, injunctâ inde sibi ab excessu huiusmodi absolucione penitenciâ pro modo culpe, penitenciâ salutari, super peccatis dispensetis misericorditer cum eodem; ita tamen quod

[1] Three reasons are given in the Decretals why illegitimacy should be a bar to Holy Orders:—"Iste defectus tribus de causis ordinum et beneficiorum promocionem inpedit. Primò, ob ordinis prerogativam; secundò, ob detestacionem paterni criminis, quod punitur in filio; terciò propter incontinenciam paternam, que timetur in filio. Sexti lib. i, fo. lxxii.

idem clericus, prout requiret onus beneficii, quod eum post dispensacionem huiusmodi obtinere contigerit, se faciat statutis a jure temporibus ad ordines promoveri, et personaliter resideat in eodem. Alioquin dicte dispensacionis gracia, quo ad ipsum beneficium, nullius sit momenti.

Avinione, iij Idus Decembres, pontificatûs domini Urbani pape quinti anno tercio.

[**10b.**] The rector of Farnham, m. William Inge, archdeacon of Surrey, agreed to rebuild the three chancels and roof them with lead at his own expense, finding stone to the value of £100; and then died, leaving by his will a sum of 100 marks to finish the work.[1] The new rector, archdeacon Edyndone, converted most of the stone to his own use; the hundred marks were detained by the executors of bp. Edyndone, who administered Inge's estate; and so the work remained incomplete.

Commission to the vicar of Farnham to cite the late bishop's executors and archdeacon Edyndone to appear at Winchester on Monday next after St. Thomas the Martyr (29 December, 1368) and answer the premises, at the suit of three parishioners named in the commission:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio perpetuo vicario parochialis ecclesie de Farnham, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Ex parte dilectorum filiorum Ricardi Cotun, Thome Justise, et Johannis Flodman, ac ceterorum parochianorum ecclesie prefate graviter conquerencium nobis extitit intimatum, quod dudum inter ipsos et magistrum Willelmum Inge, rectorem dicte ecclesie, concordatum extitit et conventum, quod idem magister Willelmus tres cancellos dicte ecclesie ruinosos competenter construi faceret de novo suis propriis sumptibus et expensis de opere cementarii et carpentarii, cum tecto plumbeo cooperto, et dicti parochiani ad opus predictum lapides de lapicidinis excisos in opus predictum complendum ad valorem centum librarum sterlingorum per ipsum emptos ad dictam ecclesiam cariari fecerunt suis ponderosis sumptibus et immensis, et prefatus m. Willelmus

[1] By Archbp. Winchelsey's constitution, "Ut Parochiani," chancels shall be repaired by the rector or vicar, or other to whom repairs belong. In *Pense* v. *Prowse*, 1 Lord Raym. 59, it was said that the parson ought to repair the chancel and the parishioners the nave, by the custom of England. As between lay rector and vicar, the liability is usually defined by the instrument endowing the vicarage, where it exists.

ipsos lapides partim cepit ponere in opus predictum, quousque diem suum clausit extremum, relicto dicto opere imperfecto; èt ad complecionem dicti operis imperfecti trescentas marcas sterlingorum in suo testamento legavit; que summa pecunie ad manus bone memorie domini Willelmi de Edyndone, predecessoris nostri immediati, extitit, ut asserit, derivata: Et quod m. Johannes de Edyndone, nunc archidiaconus Surreiensis ac rector ecclesie predicte, magnum numerum lapidum predictorum ad domum Sancte Crucis et usque Fermesham, et ad domos suas de Farnham, transvehi mandavit et fecit; sicque opus predictum occasionibus predictis remanet incompletum, in animarum tam dicti predecessoris nostri quam m. Johannis, rectoris prefati, grave periculum, et dicte ecclesie de Farnham dispendium et jacturam. Super quibus parochiani predicti sibi petebant per nos justiciam exhiberi.

Nos, nolentes eisdem in suâ deesse justiciâ, qui fuimus unicuique poscenti justicie debitores, tibi committimus et mandamus, quatenus cites seu peremptoriè citari facias tam executores testamenti dicti predecessoris nostri, quam prefatum Johannem rectorem, quod compereant coram nobis vel nostro commissario in ecclesiâ nostrâ Wyntoniensi die lune proximâ post festum Sancti Thome Martyris proximò futurum, super premissis, et eorum singulis, parti dictorum parochianorum de justiciâ responsuri, et juri parituri, facturique ulteriùs et recepturi in predictis per omnia, quod justicia suadebit.—Farnham, 30 June, 1368.

[17a.] Another citation dated Southwark, 1 March, 1368–9. The bishop is informed that Inge left a notable sum of money to be laid out on the chancels, together with a quantity of stone and other materials for the purpose. The money and materials are in the hands of archdeacon Edyndone, and the bishop has not only heard, but has seen with his own eyes that the chancels will soon be in ruins if not repaired (dictus quoque cancellus, nisi celeriùs de oportuno remedio provideatur, prout tam per inquisiciones de mandato factas quam oculatâ fide sumus pleniùs informati, irreparabilem ruinam minatur). Wherefore Edyndone is cited to appear before the bishop or his commissary at the church on Friday next after St. Benedict abbot (21 March)

and show cause why he should not be compelled to restore the chancels.

[27b.] A third citation, dated Southwark, 6 Nov., 1369.

[12b.] Chertsey vicarage. The vicar (John Harlyche, vol. i, p. 16) being incapacitated by reason of sickness from the due performance of his duties, is admonished to appoint a coadjutor[1]—ut infra vj dierum spacium a tempore monicionis huiusmodi continuè numerandorum capellanum idoneum provideat et ibidem collocet loco suo, qui divina officia durante huiusmodi infirmitate suâ inibi debitè celebret, et parochianis eiusdem sacramenta et sacramentalia in formâ ecclesie celebret et ministret, et quod si huiusmodi monicionibus tuis predictus vicarius parere contempserit, seu non curaverit, tu auctoritate nostrâ de capellano aliquo idoneo provideas ecclesie supradicte, qui sacramenta et officia supradicta durante languore prefato dictis parochianis valeat ministrare; cui de fructibus ipsius vicarie facias vite necessaria interim racionabiliter exhiberi, ne cura animarum predictarum cum gravi discrimine negligatur et sanguis earum de manibus requiratur.—*Ib.*, 23 Feb.

[13a.] Absolution of one who died excommunicate, so that his remains might have Christian burial.[2]

On the petition of the friends of Adam Andrew *dit* Robyns, who died excommunicate, the archdeacon is ordered to absolve the corpse, if it shall appear that the deceased exhibited any symptoms of penitence before death[3]:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio Roberto Wykford, archidiacono nostro Wyntoniensi s. g. et b. Cum Adam Andreu, dictus Robyns, de Odyham, nostre diocesis, propter suas multiplicatas contumacias coram officiali nostro fuerit per eundem officialem ad instanciam Willelmi Fox maioris excommunicacionis summâ innodatus, et pro sic excommunicato publicè nunciatus, quâ quidem excommunicacione sic ligatus diem suum clausit extremum, absolucione super hoc primitùs non obtentâ; quidam tamen

[1] See note, p. 18.

[2] See *Decretals*; *Extravagant.*, lib. v, tit. 39 c. 29 De absolvendo post mortem.

[3] Similar commissions have been granted since the Reformation: Gibs., 450, and see Stat. 53 Geo. III, c. 12.

propinqui et amici dicti Ade defuncti penes nos insteterint pro absolucione dicti defuncti corpori impendendâ, ut eâ impensâ corpus ipsius licitè tradi valeat ecclesiastice sepulture. Nos igitur statui dicti defuncti, quantum de jure possumus, providere volentes, vobis committimus et mandamus, quatenus vocatis coram vobis dicto Willelmo Fox et omnibus aliis de jure vocandis, et auditis que duxerint proponendum, prudenter et solicitè inquiratis, an dum idem Adam superstes fuerat, super et pro quo sic excommunicatus extitit, in eo manifestè signa penitencie apparebant ; et si sic, tunc corpus ipsius auctoritate nostrâ in formâ juris a dictâ summâ absolvatis, et corpus eius sic absoluti faciatis in illo eventu tradi ecclesiastice sepulture. Alioquin circa corpus ipsius excommunicati exequamini vice nostrâ quod tradunt canonice sancciones. Et quid inde feceritis, etc.—Hursley, 1 Aug., 1368.

Lambeth. License of non residence for one year granted to Richard Wodelond, the rector, to study ubi viget studium generale in Angliâ.—Southwark, 2 Nov., 1367.

[13b.] Walton-on-the-hill. Citation of the rector (John Alayn, vol. i, p. 90), on account of non-residence.—*Ib.*, 7 Nov.

Chaplain of Thames Ditton ordered to admonish the parishioners to repair roof of nave and walls of graveyard :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio capellano capelle de Dittone super Tamisiam, nostre diocesis, s. b. et g. Famâ publicâ nunciante ad aures nostras pervenit, quod navis capelle predicte enormem et manifestam in cooperturâ patitur lesionem, ac muri cimeterii eiusdem capelle funditùs sunt prostrati, ad quorum refeccionem et reparacionem parochiani eiusdem capelle sive hamelette de Dittone de antiquâ consuetudine, ut accepimus, sunt astricti :—Nos volentes indempnitati dicte capelle salubriter providere, tibi committimus et mandamus, firmiter injungentes, quatenus parochianos, habitatores, et incolas hamelette dicte capelle auctoritate nostrâ moneas efficaciter et inducas, quod infra decem dierum spacium a tempore monicionis huiusmodi continuè sequencium navem eiusdem capelle competenter reparent et reficiant seu faciant reparari, ac muros predictos refici, ut tenentur, alioquin recusantes onus predictum subire ad id faciendum per quascunque censuras ecclesiasticas canonicè

auctoritate nostrâ compellas. Et nos de nominibus et cognominibus rebellium in hâc parte, si qui fuerint, unà cum toto processu tuo super hiis habito, ante festum S. Dunstani episcopi (19 May) clarè certifices literis tuis patentibus, habentibus hunc tenorem.—*Ib.*, 26 April, 1368.

Mandate for prayers for the soul of Blanche, Duchess of Lancaster[1]:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio archidiacono nostro Surreiensi, vel eius officiali, s. g. et b. Gratum gerimus et Deo placidum arbitrium[2] pro defunctis suppliciter exorare, ut a penis peccatorum eò citiùs absolvantur vivorum suffragiis, que dum in hoc emispirio superfuerant contraxerunt. Sanè serenissima domina, domina Blanchia, ducissa Lancastrie, dudum ex illustri prosapiâ stirpis regie propagata, juxta legem communem mortalium debitum humane fatalitatis, quod dolentes referimus, velut placuit Altissimo, jam persolvit, et ab erumpnis huius seculi per superni Ducis imperium est exempta; cuius occasus naturâ pungente cameram cordis domini nostri regis nimirum graviter vulneravit, nobisque suppliciter et devoto spiritu supplicavit, ut animam dicte defuncte cum exequiis et missarum solempniis in cunctis monasteriis, ecclesiis parochialibus, et aliis locis sacris et religiosis nostre diocesis per clericos religiosos et seculares Redemptori nostro Supremo cum debitâ solempnitate faciamus solempniter commendari. Nos igitur votum domini Regis pium et laudabile in hâc parte corditer, ut convenit, amplectentes, vobis in virtute obediencie firmiter injungentes districtè precipimus et mandamus, quatenus cum omni celeritate comodâ et eciam oportunâ omnes et singulos viros et mulieres religiosas, necnon ecclesiarum parochialium diocesis nostre rectores, vicarios, et capellanos auctoritate nostrâ moneatis et efficaciter inducatis, firmiter exhortantes, ut ipsi in suis ecclesiis et aliis locis sacris eis subditis exequias et missarum solempnia unà cum [14a.] pleno officio mortuorum faciant absque more diffugio pro dictâ ducissâ more humanitatis debite publicè celebrari, ipsius animam Deo suppliciter comen-

[1] Daughter of Henry, duke of Lancaster, m. John of Gaunt in 1359, who was created duke of Lancaster in right of his wife in 1362. She was interred in St. Paul's Cathedral. Walsingham (1, p. 309) calls her "mulier nobilissima et Anglorum amatrix constantissima."

[2] Ὁσία καὶ εὐσεβὴς ἡ ἐπίνοια—it is a holy and a good thought to pray for the dead. II Maccab, xii, 45.

dantes, devotis mentibus exorando, ut Pater misericordiarum, cuius est proprium misereri, animam predictam a penis peccatorum absolvat, et de sue pietatis habundanciâ eam inter electos suos collocare dignetur. Et ut mentes fidelium ad operis tante pietatis exercicium propensiùs excitemus, de Dei omnipotentis misericordiâ, beatissime virginis Marie, beatorum apostolorum Petri et Pauli, necnon gloriosorum confessorum Birini, Swithuni, Ethelwoldi, et Hedde, ecclesie nostre patronorum, et omnium sanctorum meritis et precibus confidentes, omnibus subditis nostris et aliis, quorum diocesani hanc nostram indulgenciam ratam habuerint et acceptam, de peccatis suis verè contritis et confessis, dictas exequias et missas devotè celebrantibus seu eisdem interessentibus, et pro dictâ ducissâ Deum suppliciter deprecantibus quadraginta dies de injunctâ sibi penitenciâ, Deo propicio, misericorditer relaxamus.—Wargrave, 20 Sept.

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[15a.] Mandate for the archdeacon of Winchester to cite the abbot of Hyde, on account of his neglect to render a cope to the prior of Winchester at the time of his confirmation :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio archidiacono nostro Wyntoniensi, vel eius officiali, s. g. et b. Cum de consuetudine laudabili et prescriptâ, necnon a decem, viginti, triginta, quadraginta, et quinquaginta annis et ultra et citra, ac a tempore et per tempus cuius contrarii memoria hominum non existit pacificè observatâ, necnon de prerogativâ ecclesie nostre Wynton., quilibet abbas nostri diocesis, et presertim abbas monasterii de Hydâ, eiusdem diocesis, in suâ novâ creacione teneatur unam capam chori decentem, congruam, et competentem pro statu et decenciâ ecclesie nostre Wynton., in quâ episcopo suo ibidem divina celebranti possit, ut debet, honorifice ministrare, in signum recognicionis superioritatis eiusdem, priori et capitulo ipsius ecclesie tradere, dimittere, ac eciam liberare ; fuerint quoque et sint dicti prior et capitulum in pacificâ possessione exigendi, petendi, habendi, et recipiendi capam huiusmodi a singulis abbatibus supradictis, et presertim ab abbatibus dicti monasterii, tempore et racione nove creacionis eorundem, et eam receperint et habuerint ex causâ predictâ nomine dicte ecclesie nostre Wynton. per tempora supradicta pacificè et quietè absque

impedimento et perturbacione qualicunque, salvo eo, quod infra dicetur.

Religiosus tamen vir f. Thomas,[1] nunc abbas dicti monasterii de Hydâ de novo creatus, sepius et congruè requisitus capam huiusmodi racione nove creacionis sue ecclesie nostre Wyntoniensi per eum debitam eisdem priori et capitulo liberare, solvere, dimittere, et tradere recusavit, sicut ex parte ipsorum prioris et capituli nobis extitit intimatum, ac ipsos priorem et capitulum circa jus et possessionem habendi et recipiendi capam huiusmodi multipliciter molestavit, inquietavit, et perturbavit, molestat, inquietat, et perturbat temere et injustè, eciam in presenti, seu molestacionem, inquietacionem, et perturbacionem huiusmodi nomine suo factas ratas habuit et habet preter et acceptas, in dicte ecclesie nostre Wynton. prioris et capituli grave prejudicium et jacturam, conans et satagens dictam ecclesiam suo jure et honore ac prerogativâ huiusmodi privare injustè; super quibus iidem prior et capitulum sibi petebant per nos justiciam exhiberi.

Nos igitur, nolentes eis in suâ deesse justiciâ, qui sumus presertim omnibus nostris subditis in justiciâ debitores, vobis committimus et mandamus, etc. Abbot cited to appear at the church of St. Mary Overy on the first law-day after St. Edmund the King (20 November) then next, and shew cause why a cope should not be rendered.—Southwark, 30 Oct.

Abbess of Wherwell enjoined not to allow friars or other men, religious or secular, to stay the night (ad perhendinacionem nocturnam) in the convent.—Southwark, 17 Oct., 1368.

[25a.] Same injunction repeated:—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis in Christo filiabus abbatisse et conventui monasterii de Wherwell, ordinis Sancti Benedicti, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Sanctimoniales Deo dicate, que abnegantes voluptates seculi, Christi se obsequiis mancipârunt, sensus suos exteriores debent cum prudenciâ obserare, ne ex nimiâ et incautâ cohabitacione et confabulacione virorum levium saltem cogitacione fedentur, et idcirco a cetibus hominum segregantur. Nuper siquidem popularis et clamosa insinuacio hominum fidelium ad nostrum perduxit auditum, quod contra religionis

[1] Thomas Pechy, vol. i, p. 110.

honestatem varios viros religiosos, presertim de quolibet ordine mendicancium, passim et sine deletu admittatis noctanter in vestris habitaclis moraturos, ex quo dissolucionis et scandali materia plurima generatur, et religionis observancia inter vos multipliciter naufragatur; cum cohabitacio clericorum religiosorum precipuè et sanctimonialium sit per constituciones sanctorum patrum penitus interdicta. Nos igitur, zelantes inter vos sacre religionis pulcritudinem absque nocturnâ communione virorum nostris temporibus refulgere, ut devocio vestra ampliùs augeatur, et omnis scurrilitas auferatur, vobis in virtute sancte obediencie, et sub maioris excommunicacionis penâ, firmiter inhibemus, monentes et injungentes, ne fratres huiusmodi aut alios viros religiosos seu seculares ad perhendinacionem nocturnam in vestro monasterio faciendam de ceterò admittatis, seu admitti aliqualiter permittatis, salvis elemosinis, quas de die pro eorum victu ipsis fratribus piè duxeritis erogandas, in presenciâ tamen abbatisse predicte. Et super premissis inhibicione, monicione, et injunccione nostris observandis talem curetis diligenciam vigilem adhibere, ne ex contemptu vel negligenciâ ministretur nobis materia necessitatis contra vos ad penas canonicas procedendi. Et quid super hiis duxeritis faciendum, etc. —Southwark, 17 Oct., 1368.

[15b.] Dispensation *super defectu natalium* to Peter de Colyngham, a scholar of the diocese (scholari nostre diocesis).—Farnham, 22 Dec.

Penance imposed for administering a deceased person's estate without lodging an inventory:—

Noverint universi, quod cum Matilda, relicta Johannis Hales de Suthwerke defuncti, Thomas Hosyere, Johannes Sadelere, et Thomas Eshere, executores testamenti dicti defuncti, super eo quod bona eiusdem defuncti, nullo inventario eorundem bonorum per eos primitùs condito seu confecto, administraverunt illicitè contra constitucionem sancti patris domini Ottoboni[1] quondam sedis apostolice in Angliâ legati in hâc parte editam admissam et observatam fuissent coram commissariis nostris Willelmi Dei graciâ Wyntoniensis episcopi judicialiter impetiti, iidem

[1] By the constitutions of Othobon, A.D. 1268, and Archbishop Stratford, A.D. 1342, administration shall not be committed to an executor till an inventory is made.—*Gibs.*

executores coram eis dictum excessum se commisisse fatebantur et eciam recognoscebant; prefati quoque commissarii nostri decernentes ipsos executores in penam constitucionis predicte incidisse super excessu predicto, eisdem annexerunt et imposuerunt penitencias salutares, quas humiliter admiserunt.—Southwark, 19 Oct.

[16a.] Commission to prove a nuncupatory will:—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis nobis in Christo Johanni Tylneye, capellano et notario publico, ac Thome atte Gylle de Suthwerke, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Cum ds. Rogerus Davy, miles, qui in nostrâ diocesi diem suum clausit extremum, suum nuncupatorium condiderit testamentum[1];—Nos volentes eius testamentum sive voluntatem ultimam execucioni debite, ut convenit, demandari, vos executores eiusdem testamenti sive ultime voluntatis tenore presencium deputamus, recepto a vos solito juramento de pleno et debito inventario de omnibus bonis dicti defuncti conficiendo, et ea fideliter ministrando, ac de administracione vestrâ huiusmodi raciocinium fidele reddendo, cum auctoritate nostrâ super hiis fueritis congruè requisiti.—*Ib.*, 21 Nov.

Thomas of St. Neots, r. of Shere (vol. i, p. 61), appointed sequestrator for archdeaconry of Surrey.—Farnham, 3 Jan., 1368–9.

Holy water to be assigned to scholars only:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio m. Johanni de Wormenhale, officiali nostro, s. g. et b. Cum in constitucionibus sinodalibus nostre Wyntoniensis diocesis a sanctis patribus predecessoribus nostris episcopis Wyntoniensibus salubriter sit provisum, quod in ecclesiis, que scolis civitatis Wyntoniensis vel castrorum nostre diocesis sint vicine, aqua benedicta solis scolaribus assignetur et debeat assignari, illudque fuerit, nisi a modico tempore jam effluxo, plenè et pacificè usitatum; nonnulli tamen nostrorum scolarium emuli viris conjugatis et discolis,[2] doctrine scolarium

[1] A nuncupatory will, says Swinburn, is where the testator without any writing doth declare his will before a sufficient number of witnesses. But by the Statute of Frauds no nuncupatory will of more than £30 shall be good unless proved by three witnesses whom the testator called to witness that such was his will, unless made in the last sickness, and unless committed to writing within six days after his death; and by the Wills Act (7 Will. IV and 1 Vict., c. 26) nuncupatory wills are abolished.

[2] Gr. δύσκολος, but here meaning "uneducated," as if a compound of the word "scola."

huiusmodi non capaces, aquam benedictam in ecclesiis, presertim civitatis Wyntoniensis, et aliis ecclesiis vicinis, assignârunt, contra constituciones predictas et morem hactenus observatum.

Quocirca vobis committimus et mandamus, quatenus quicquid contra dictas constituciones et consuetudinem antiquam in prejudicium dictorum scolarium nostrorum Wyntoniensium in hâc parte inveneritis attemptatum, in statum pristinum debitè revocetis, et vocatis coram vobis in hâc parte vocandis, faciatis tam ex officio nostro quam ad instanciam illorum, quorum interest, congruè reformari, contradictores et rebelles, seu vos in execucione premissorum quomodolibet impedientes, per quascunque censuras ecclesiasticas auctoritate nostrâ canonicè compescendo. Et nos de toto processu vestro super hiis habendo citrà festum S. Valentini proximò jam venturum clarè et plenariè certificetis literis vestris patentibus habentibus hunc tenorem.—Farnham, 3 Jan., 1368–9.

[Translation.]

In the synodal constitutions of our diocese, ordained by holy fathers, our predecessors in the see, a wholesome provision is found, that in churches near the schools in our city of Winchester, or the castles of our diocese, holy water shall be assigned to scholars only; and this hath been the usage until recently. But so now it is, that certain persons, jealous of our scholars, and incapable of acquiring their learning, in sundry churches, especially churches in and near Winchester, have assigned the benefit of holy water to married men, and men who have not been to school, contrary to the said constitutions and the manner heretofore used. We therefore do enjoin and command you, etc.[1]

[1] It was usual to send the holy water to the houses of persons who could not attend the parish church. And inasmuch as those who carried it usually received gifts of money or food, the privilege came to be accounted an exhibition or benefice. A Constitution of archbishop Boniface, A.D. 1261, declares, "quod clericis pauperibus aque beneficia conferantur," the privilege of bearing holy water shall be conferred on poor clerks only (*Gibs.*, 213). The Synod of Exeter, A.D. 1287, enacted almost in the same words as the bishop uses here, "quod in ecclesiis quoque a scolis civitatis vel castrorum diocesis ultra x non distantibus milliaria aque benedicte beneficia solis scolaribus assignentur (Wilkins, *Concilia*, I, 147); and a statute of Alexander, bishop of Coventry (A.D. 1237), says, "Quia plerique scolares carent necessariis quorum sciencîâ multi per graciam Dei poterunt edificari, volumus ut scolares ferant aquam benedictam per villas rurales, ubi sunt qui postulent et indigeant" (*Du Cange*, sub voc. aqua benedicta). In the *Chronicon Jocelini de Brakelondâ*, it is recorded (fol. 132) of the abbot Sampson of Bury St. Edmunds (A.D. 1182) that on his becoming abbot he sent for a chaplain, "qui eum sustinuerat in scolis Parisiis questu aque benedicte quando pauper fuerat, et ei ecclesiasticum beneficium quo sustentari posset, contulit." As for the value of the privilege, Lyndwood, writing *circa* 1430, says, "unusquisque paterfamilias die quâlibet dominicâ clerico deferenti aquam benedictam aliquod secundum exigenciam statûs sui tribuat, et quod in natali Domini habeat singulis domiciliis unum panem et eciam certa ova et pisces, et in autumno certas gerbas"—so many sheaves of corn; adding that a custom to pay a fixed sum quarterly might be good. "Aquebajulus" came to be a name for a parish clerk.

[25b.] Marston prebend, Staffordshire. Appeal of promoters in a cause of subtraction of chaplain and non-performance of divine service, promoted by parishioners named Henry Belgrave and Thomas le Mason against Adam de Moreton, the prebendary, in the court of the dean of the free chapel royal of St. Mary's, Stafford, ordered by the bishop as chancellor and custodian of the free chapels royal of England to be heard before m. Richard de Bermyngham, archdeacon of Coventry.—Southwark, 2 Nov., 1368.

[16b.] Same appeal transferred to m. Thomas Yung, official principal of Canterbury, Nicholas de Chaddesdene, dean of arches, and John de Shepeye, advocate of Canterbury, on the suggestion that a fair trial could not be had in the county of Stafford.—*Ib.*, 24 Feb., 1368–9.

Appointment of m. John Turke, r. of Michelmersh, to hear the confession of Marion de Rye, a nun of Romsey:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio m. Johanni Turke, rectori ecclesie de Michelmerssh, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. De vestre consciencie puritate ac eminente scienciâ, que in vobis noscitur pululare, plenam in Domino fiduciam obtinentes, ad audiendum confessiones dilecte in Christo filie sororis Marione sive Margerie de Rye, commonialis monasterii de Romeseye, ordinis S. Benedicti, nostre diocesis, et ad absolvendum eam auctoritate nostrâ a peccatis suis, que in foro penitenciali vobis duxerit confitendum, necnon ad injungendum sibi pro commissis penitancias salutares eciam in casibus solis episcopis de jure vel consuetudine specialiter reservatis,[1] licenciam vobis tenore presencium concedimus specialem, usque ad festum S. Georgii (23 April) proximè futurum tantummodo duraturam.—Farnham, 20 March.

Letter authorizing Turke to absolve Marion, a crimine apostasie, siquam contraxit, necnon a summâ excommunicacionis maioris, quam eâ occasione forsitan incurrebat, penitenciâ inde sibi injungendâ nobis specialiter reservatâ.—Same date.

[19b.] Letter from the bishop to the abbess. He is informed that Marion has doffed the veil, and sits not in the choir with the nuns, but in the nave with other women, and frequents

[1] See vol. i, p. 157,

private rooms, conversing and gossiping (fabulando) there with secular persons, contrary to the decorum of her profession (religionis honestatem) and the orders of the abbess; neither worshipping in the choir nor saying the Hours. The abbess is enjoined to admonish her to resume the veil and conform to rule.—Southwark, 8 Feb.

[26b.] Letter from the bishop to the abbess. He hears that Marion is disobedient. The abbess may compel her to conform by any discipline not endangering life, using her own discretion in so doing:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecte in Christo filie abbatisse monasterii de Romeseye, ordinis S. Benedicti, s. g. et b. Sacre religionis observancie turpiter performantur, ubi per viciorum spinas virtutum lilia contigerit per presidencium negligencias conculcari. Sane clamor validus pluries nostrum pulsavit auditum, quod soror Margeria de Rye, commonialis tua, religionis sue dulcedinem deserens seu contempnens, claustrum, chorum, capitulum, refectorium, et dormitorium religioni specialiter deputata vehementer abhorrens, in locis aliis solitariis cum personis secularibus confabulacionibus, commessacionibus, et aliis tractatibus illicitis religioni non congruentibus intendens consistere perelegit, sacramenta penitencie et eukaristie, que cuilibet christiano adulto sunt necessaria ad salutem, per non modica tempore debitè recipere recusavit,[1] et religionis tramites a se omnino abjecit, nullâ causâ racionabili subsistente, unde inter commoniales sorores suas frequenter caritas dissolvitur et religio perturbatur. Ne igitur sanguis eius de nostris et tuis manibus coram districto judice in ultimo examine requiratur discrecionem tuam in Domino exhortamur, tibi nichilominus in virtute obediencie injungentes, quatenus ipsius sanctimonialis nomine vicia et insolencias eradices, et eam ad sacre religionis regulam observandam et vite catholice puritatem tenendam et alia licita et honesta dicti ordinis mandata juxta ipsius statuta peragenda, que absque vite sue discrimine poterit supportare, prout ad tuum spectat officium compellere non omittas, talem semper prudenciam adhibendo, ut in die judicii generalis eius spiritus salvus fiat; et inter cetera

[1] This nun's habit of hearing sermons by itinerant preachers, and absenting herself from confession and the Holy Communion, points to the conclusion that she was a follower of some disciple of Wyclif.

semper precave, ne per eius fugam, vel aliàs, novissimus error deterior sit priore. Non intendimus circa hec tuum officium restringere vel artare. Det tibi Deus omnipotens sacre religionis vigilias fideliter regere et servare.—Wolvesey, 18 Sept., 1369.

[17a.] License granted to prior of West Sherborne[1] to choose a confessor:—

Die vicesimâ mensis Marcii, A.D. MCCCLXVIIJ (1368–9), apud Farnham, dominus Wyntoniensis episcopus concessit f. Guillermo priori, etc., licenciam eligendi sibi f. Johannem Alexi, commonachum suum, in confessorem, qui eum ac omnes commonachos suos absolvere valeat in casibus reservatis per unum annum, articulis consuetis duntaxat exceptis.

Levy of the clergy (commissio pro arraiacione cleri contra adversarios Francie) of archdeaconry of Winchester.

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis priori ecclesie nostre Wyntoniensis, et abbati monasterii de Hydâ, necnon officiali nostro, ac dilectis clericis nostris, magistro Johanni Corf, canonico ecclesie Sarum, et Johanni Ware et Waltero de Sevenhamptone, rectoribus ecclesiarum de Wonsyngtone et Alresforde, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Multorum fidedignorum relacio et clamor validus auribus regiis prelatorum, procerum, et magnatum regni Anglie per certitudinem indubiam inculcârunt, quod multitudo gencium nacionum exterarum in manu armatâ cum non modico numero classium in variis portibus transmarinis stat parata ad fines et limites ac terminos regni Anglie applicare, et ipsum regnum hostiliter invadere, aggredi, et ingredi, ecclesiam, terram, et superficiem ipsius consumere et vastare, clerum et populum eiusdem in ore gladii occidere et delere, possessiones et bona ipsorum ecclesie et regni diripere et auferre, et in extiminium deducere fines eius, nisi sub adjutorio Altissimi in manu potenti citiùs resistatur; ac excellentissimus in Christo princeps et dominus noster dominus Edwardus, Dei graciâ rex Anglie, cum prelatis, magnatibus, et proceribus dicti regni in consilio jam Londoniis convocato[2] premissa pericula et discrimina imminencia

[1] Guillermus Bernard (see proceedings at election of his successor, vol. i, p. 63).

[2] Shortly after holding this council, the king resumed the title of King of France, and war broke out again. "Circa finem mensis Maii," says Walsingham (i, 307), "Edwardus tenuit Parliamentum apud Westmonasterium, in quo tractavit de rupto foedere inter ipsum et regem Francorum." So the *Ypodigma Neustrie* (p. 314, Rolls ed.), "Anno 1369 rex

ad obviandum eisdem sic audita fecit exponi, et de consilio et assensu dictorum prelatorum, magnatum, et procerum proinde ordinari, quod unusquisque ligeus homo dicti regis juxta statûs sui exigenciam et facultates ad obviandum huiusmodi periculis armis competentibus sit munitus, ac reverendum patrem dominum Cantuariensem archiepiscopum, aliosque prelatos et nos in dicto consilio existentes cum instanciâ requisivit, ut pro salvacione statûs ecclesie Anglicane et regni de viris ecclesiasticis nobis subditis ordinare vellemus et facere illud idem.

Nos igitur, premissa intimè ponderantes, et quantum cum Deo possumus et ad nos attinet, periculis et dispendiis huiusmodi, ne, quod absit, ingruant et eveniant, viis omnibus licitis et legitimis precavere volentes, ac de vestris circumspeccione et prudenciâ, quas in vobis vigere novimus, firmiter confidentes, vobis in virtute obediencie districtiùs injungendo committimus et mandamus, quatenus viros ecclesiasticos archidiaconatûs Wyntoniensis religiosos et seculares, cuiuscunque gradûs, statûs, ordinis, aut condicionis fuerint, abbates videlicet, priores, ecclesiarum rectores, vicarios, et capellanos omnes et singulos per dictum archidiaconatum constitutos, ac totum clerum eiusdem, ad certos diem et locum per vos eis assignandos cum omni celeritate commodâ et eciam oportunâ coram vobis convocetis et eis exponatis, seu exponi clarè faciatis, imminencia discrimina et pericula supradicta. Juxta discrecionem vobis a Deo datam ipsos moneatis et efficaciter inducatis, viis et modis omnibus quibus poteritis licitis et canonicis, quod cum armis defensivis et injuriarum repulsoriis, juxta statûs eorum decenciam, competentibus se parent et muniant, ac sint prompti preter et muniti, quociens et quando clamor adventûs hostium predictorum in illis partibus insonuerit, pro tuicione et salvacione ecclesie et regni Anglicorum, ad resistendum hostibus huiusmodi intentibus ecclesiam et regnum Anglie ingredi, vastare, et depopulari, ac facere in omnibus quod presentis temporis et negocii qualitas, imminencium discriminum gravitas, et juste defensionis necessitas

Ed. III in parliamento tento Londoniis tractavit de concordiâ violatâ pacisque pactionibus inter ipsum et regem Francie. Quapropter, sicut olim, totum regnum Francie vendicavit misitque circa Nativ. B.V.M. (Sept. 8) filium suum Joh. ducem Lankastrie et Humfridum de Boun, comitem Herefordie, cum validâ manu militum et arcitenencium ad ius suum ex integrò repetendum. Qui cum transfretâssent et super montem qui dicitur 'Le Chalkhille' (chef de Caux at the mouth of the Seine) 'castrametiti fuissent contra Francos, qui illis occurrerent, tamdiu jacuerunt ibidem donec consumptis victualibus pars Anglica fame deficiebat.' "

et oportunitas, ac jura, exigunt et permittunt. Ita quod dictis viris ecclesiasticis torpor vel negligencia nequeat meritò imputari.

Nosque recensentes in armariolo cordis nostri, quod non est in hominis potestate set in manu Dei victoria belli, *qui docet manus ad proelium et digitos viri ad bellum*, habens in suo moderamine corda singulorum, ipsius Dei victricem manum mundatis cordibus et conscienciis supliciter duximus implorandum, eò quod devote preces fidelium et alia pietatis opera plerumque iram Redemptoris in misericordiam et mansuetudinem mitigant et convertunt; vobisque firmiter injungendo mandamus, quamvis id aliter mandaverimus fieri nostras literas per priores, quatenus omnibus et singulis abbatibus, prioribus, conventibus, collegiis, rectoribus ecclesiarum et vicariis, ac presbyteris parochialibus archidiaconatûs predicti auctoritate nostrâ efficaciter injungentes, quod diebus dominicis aliisque solempnibus et festivis in suis ecclesiis infra missarum solempnia, cum maior affuerit populi multitudo, clericos et laicos archidiaconatûs predicti auctoritate nostrâ moneant efficaciter et inducant, monerive faciant effectualiter et induci, ut pro pace et tranquilitate ecclesie sancte Dei, ac pro salubri statu domini nostri regis et suorum omnium ac regni sui effundant Altissimo sinceris mentibus preces suplices et devotas, ipsique cum clericis et laicis eiusdem archidiaconatûs, quos per vos moneri volumus et induci, in villis mercatis per vicos earum et circa cimeteria ipsarum ecclesiarum, vel si non adsit aëris serenitas, in ipsis ecclesiis, pulsatis campanis omnibus quartis et sextis feriis[1] processionem faciant solempnem, letaniam decantantes, et missam que dicitur *Salus Populi* celebrent, et postea prosequantur. Capellani verò huiusmodi processionibus non interessentes septem psalmos penitenciales pro illo tempore absencie sue cum letaniâ, laici verò oracionem dominicam cum salutacione virginis gloriose, prout eis Deus inspiraverit, dicant pro premissis humiliter et devotè. Et ad premissa omnia exequenda religiosos exemptos dicti archidiaconatûs per vos procurari volumus et induci. Quod si non omnes hiis exequendis potueritis interesse, vos, prior, cum aliis vestrûm qui presentes fuerint, ipsi exequamini cum effectu. Et quid super hoc feceritis, etc.—Southwark, 26 April, 1369.

[1] On Wednesdays and Fridays. The days of the week after Sunday (dies dominica) were called "feriæ," "feria secunda" being Monday, "feria tercia" Tuesday, and so on.

[**17b.**] Similar letter to abbot of Chertsey, prior of Merton, and r. of Ewell, for archdeaconry of Surrey.

[**18a.**] Mandate directed by the primate to Simon, bp. of London, ordering prayers for peace throughout the province[1]:—

Unigenitus Dei filius, cum transiturus esset ex hoc mundo ad Patrem, pacem discipulis suis reliquit humanam, quam videlicet inter se fraternâ dileccione servarent; pacem verò suam, quâ soli fruuntur electi in celesti regnantes beatitudine, dedit eis, ut sic per observanciam pacis temporalem dono gracie sue pertingerent ad eternam.

Quod utique satis advertens humani generis antiquus hostis, huiusmodi pacis felicitatem ad momentum expertus, pacem illam humanam, pacis eterne preparatoriam, turbare semper et violare suâ indefessâ versuciâ machinatur. Dudum siquidem procurante ipso pacis emulo, discordia quam gravis inter excellentissimum principem dominum nostrum regem suosque adversarios successivos, pro regibus Francie se gerentes, exorta fuerat et tempore diuturno protracta; set tandem Divinâ miserante clemenciâ inita fuerant inter partes ipsas gloriosa pacis federa, que tamen finem nondum sunt sortita dispositum, set cum gravi dispendio gravique periculo dilacionem sumpserunt non modicam, adeo quod verisimiliter de ipsius dissipacione totali timetur, quanquam prefatus dominus noster rex ad eius profeccionem efficaciter obtulerit se paratum, secretim considerans idem princeps christianissimus, quod actus eciam meritorios in cassum aggreditur humana prudencia, nisi divine miseracionis virtus hanc intencionem suam supremo pacis Auctori, prout confidit, placabilem, ac utriusque dictorum regnorum subjectis perutilem, summo opere juvari considerat precibus devotorum.

Quapropter maiestatem suam humiliter inclinans, nobis attenciùs supplicavit, ut pacem ipsam in missarum solempniis, sermonibus, et processionibus publicis specialiter et devotè recommendatam habere, et hoc idem nostrarum diocesis et provincie subditis demandare, solicitè curaremus. Vestre siquidem fraternitati committimus et mandamus, quatenus omnibus et singulis fratribus nostris et coepiscopis ecclesie nostre Cantuariensis suffra-

[1] The bishop acknowledged receipt of the bishop of London's circular by letter to the primate dated Southwark, 20 June, 1369.

ganeis, cum eâ celeritate quâ poteritis, injungatis, ut ipsi in ecclesiis suis et aliis suarum civitatum et diocesium subditos suos, clericos et laicos, efficaciter moneant et inducant, et faciant induci, quod pro prefato domino rege filioque ipsius primogenito, domino principe Acquitanie et Wallie, cunctis eciam pro defensione ac tuicione jurium suorum eis assistentibus Altissimo Regi in missarum solempniis, sermonibus publicis, et processionibus consuetis humiles fundant preces, pacem et tranquillitatem regni devotè recommendatas habentes; vosque hec eadem in vestris civitate et diocese prosequi cum effectu curetis, ad supremi pacis Auctoris laudem, gloriam, et honorem.

Et ut fidelium mentes ad devociones huiusmodi propensiùs excitentur, de Dei omnipotentis misericordiâ, et sanctissime Virginis matris sue, beati Thome martyris gloriosi, omniumque sanctorum meritis et precibus confidentes, ipsis fidelibus per nostram provinciam constitutis de peccatis suis verò penitentibus et confessis, ut premittitur, facientibus supradicta, quadraginta dies indulgencie concedimus per presentes, et a vobis ceterisque nostris suffraganeis similes petimus elargiri. De diebus verò recepcionis, etc.—Lambeth, 28 April, 1369.

[18 b.] Commission for inquiry and proclamations in the matter of the purgation of William Dyket, a clerk, incarcerated on the charge of having, on the Friday before Palm Sunday, 36 Ed. III, feloniously stolen at Littleton thirty wethers (multones), value 60*s*., the property of the prior of St. Swithun.—Southwark, 1 July, 1368.

[19 a.] Ceremonial when the pallium was conferred on Archbishop Whittlesey:—

In the chapel at Lambeth on the 19th day of April, 1369, the bishop of Winchester received at the hands of m. Thomas de Sutham, archdeacon of Oxford, the apostolic letters patent and two sealed letters, one empowering the bishop of Winchester to confer the pallium and the other containing the form of oath of fealty to the church of Rome. These letters being opened and read, the archdeacon gave the pallium to the bishop. And then the bishop advanced to the high altar, and, after mass sung, placed the pallium round the neck of the arch-

bishop, as he knelt at the altar, robed in pontifical vestments and wearing the cope; and then read aloud the following form of words from the sealed letter:—

"Ad honorem Dei Omnipotentis et beate Marie virginis et beatorum Petri et Pauli et domini Urbani, pape quinti, et ecclesie Romane et ecclesie Cantuariensis tibi commisse, tradimus tibi pallium de corpore beati Petri sumptum et plenitudinem pontificalis dignitatis, ut utaris eo intra ecclesiam tuam certis diebus, qui exprimuntur in privilegiis ecclesie tue concessis a Romanâ ecclesiâ." After this the archbishop, having a copy of the Holy Gospels before him, took the oath of fealty.

These things were done in the presence of John de Shepeye, LL.D., canon of Lichfield; John de Campeden, LL.B., canon of Southwell; John de Swyneshede, r. of Wederynshede (Wetheringsett); and John de Kelleseye, canon of Lincoln, and notary of the apostolic see.

License of non-residence for a year granted to John de Castro Bernardi (vol. i, pp. 11, 28), r. of Nutfield.—Southwark, 17 May, 1369.

Commission directed to dean of Guildford and r. of Send (vol. i, p. 36) to claim clerks indicted at the Surrey assizes.—Esher, 21 May.

[19 b.] Commission for inquiry and proclamations in the matter of the purgation of Thomas Lybaud, of Lothian, clerk, incarcerate on the charge of having, on the Sunday next after St. Andrew, 35 Ed. III, at Combe Park, Surrey, in the inn yard ("infra virgam hospicii") of John Bays, of Kingston, feloniously stolen a horse with its saddle and bridle, value 40*s*.—Southwark, 2 Feb., 1368–9.

[33 a.] Another commission in same matter.—Esher, 21 March, 1369–70.

[35 a.] Certificate of Lybaud's purgation.—Southwark, 28 May, 1370.

[21 a.] William Aylesbury caused the death of a man, and being in prison on the charge, escaped and took sanctuary in

the churchyard of St. George's, Southwark, where he was arrested by Robert Solas, John Ferour, and others, who are cited for breach of sanctuary and enjoined to do penance[1]:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio decano de Suthwerke, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Detestando feritatis excessus nostrum pulsavit auditum, quod licet ad tutelam et confugium oppressorum sit a sanctis patribus salubriter constitutum, ut ecclesia reos sanguinis ab hominum incursu defendat; et propterea ex sanctorum patrum constitucionibus sit adjectum circa tuicionem tam personarum ad ecclesias vel cimeteria confugiencium et rerum, que in ipsis pro securitate reponuntur, quam circa salutem hominum profanorum, qui Dei timore contempto, ecclesie reverenciâ prorsus abjectâ, immo totius humanitatis et sciencie pudore deposito, ad huiusmodi confugarum abstraccionem se conferunt impudenter; quod omnes qui confugientem ad ecclesiam vel cimeterium causâ immunitatis ecclesiastice consequende inde abstraxerint violenter seu abstraccionem huiusmodi ratam habentes vel huiusmodi abstrahentibus dederint consilium, auxilium, vel favorem publicè vel occultè, sint ipso facto maioris excommunicacionis vinculo innodati.

Quidam tamen Johannes Ferour, Robertus Solas, et Johannes Munden quemdam Willelmum de Aylesbury ad ecclesiam S. Georgii in Suthwerke, nostre diocesis, graciâ et occasione immunitatis ecclesiastice obtinende confugientem, et in eius cimeterio constitutum, die veneris proximâ post dominicam quâ cantatur *Quasimodo*,[2] proximè jam effluxam, inde violenter abstraxerunt abstrahive mandârunt, procurârunt, et fecerunt, famâ publicâ id testante, maioris excommunicacionis summam antedictam, si ita est, dampnabiliter incurrentes.

[1] The privilege of sanctuary as defined by the Constitutions of Othobon, A.D. 1268, was the foundation of abjuration. Abjuration was, where one who had committed a felony and for safeguard of his life fled to the sanctuary of a church or churchyard, and there, before the coroner of the place, within forty days confessed the felony and took an oath for his perpetual banishment out of the realm into a foreign country, just as in the last and early part of this century criminals capitally convicted often received a free pardon on condition of transporting themselves across the seas. But by 21 Jac. I, c. 28, § 9, it is enacted that no privilege of sanctuary shall be admitted or allowed in any case. Violation of a sanctuary was punished by Othobon with excommunication *ipso facto*, and if satisfaction was not made within forty days, with deprivation.—*Gibs.*, 781; *Phill.*, 1387.

[2] The first Sunday after Easter is called "Quasimodo" from the circumstance of the introit for that Sunday beginning with the words "Dominus quasimodo." It is also called "dominica in albis," because on that day the newly baptised put off the white garments which they donned on the Sunday next before Easter.

Nos igitur circa tuicionem libertatis et immunitatis ecclesiastice, prout artati sumus ex debito officii nostri pastoralis, pervigiles et soliciti, ne tam horrendus excessus contra Deum et ecclesiam sic terribiliter attemptatus sub dissimulacionis clamide transeat impunitus, tibi in virtute obediencie nobis debite et sub maioris excommunicacionis penâ, quam in personam tuam, si in hiis exequendo negligens fueris vel remissus, canonicâ monicione premissâ, ferimus in his scriptis, districtè precipimus et mandamus, quatenus cites seu citari facias peremptoriè prefatos Johannem, Robertum, et Johannem, quod compereant coram nobis vel nostro commissario in ecclesiâ conventuali beate Marie de Suthwerke, nostre diocesis, die Marcii proximâ post festum Ascensionis Domini proximè jam venturum, super predicto horrendo excessu eis et eorum cuilibet ex officio nostro ad animarum suarum correccionem et salutem obiciendis responsuri, et de veritate dicendâ super premissis personaliter juraturi, facturi quoque ulteriùs et recepturi super premissis quod canonice dictaverint sancciones.

Terminum vero peremptorium supradictum, propter imminens periculum animarum dictorum Johannis, Roberti, et Johannis in hâc parte cauciùs et celeriùs evitandum, sic duximus moderandum, statuendum, et eciam assignandum.

De die verò citacionis tue, modo et formâ eiusdem, et an dictos Johannem, Robertum, et Johannem personaliter inveneris, et quid feceris in premissis, nos vel nostrum commissarium dictis die et loco certifices et personaliter et per literas tuas patentes, harum seriem continentes.—*Ib.*, 17 April, 1369.

[**21a.**] The commissary, John de Shepeye, and John de Kelleseye, commissioned to take proceedings against the men who arrested Aylesbury.—*Ib.*, 15 May.

[**20b.**] Commissary reports that Aylesbury was in fact arrested in the churchyard, and that Robert Solas pleads guilty to having arrested him there.—*Ib.*, 2 June.

[**19b.**] Excommunication denounced against all who arrested Aylesbury :—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis decano de Suthwerke, nostre diocesis, ac universis et singulis ecclesiarum rectoribus, vicariis,

et capellanis per dictum diaconatum constitutis, s. g. et b. Cum nuper quidam Sathane satellites, ipsius nutibus obsequentes, infrascripti facinoris scelerati complices, Dei timore postposito, et ecclesie reverenciâ conculcatâ penitus et abjectâ, quemdam incarceratum nomine Willelmum de Aylesbury, aliàs dictum de Welde, ad ecclesiam parochialem S. Georgii de Suthwerke predictâ et eius cimeterium divinis usibus dedicatum causâ immunitatis ecclesiastice consequende fugientem, et in ipso cimeterio constitutum, privilegium ecclesie altis vocibus postulantem et publicè vendicantem, inde violenter abstraxerint et reduxerint ad carcerem vinclatum, et sic libertatem ecclesiasticam et ipsius immunitatem, tanquam filii degeneres, maligno spiritu agitati, nequiter violârint:

Nos igitur tenerrimè advertentes, et tantam nequiciam perfecto odio prosequentes, et attendentes, quod parum prodesset humilibus obedienciam, si contumacium pertinacitas et rebellio minimè reprimantur, vobis communiter et divisim sub maioris excommunicacionis penâ et in virtute sancte obediencie nobis debite firmiter precipimus et mandamus, quatenus omnes et singulos eiusdem facinoris patratores aut huiusmodi abstracci-onem nomine eorum factam ratam habentes, et ad hoc prebentes publicè vel occultè consilium, auxilium, vel consensum, in dictam excommunicacionis summam incidisse in genere indicti, campanis pulsatis, cruce erectâ, candelis accensis et postea extinctis, cum omni solempnitate debitâ et requisitâ in ecclesiis vestris intra missarum solempnia omnibus dominicis diebus et festivis, coram populo congregato, palam et publicè nuncietis et faciatis publicè nunciari, exinde non cessantes, quousque dictum scelus committentes et alii ipsorum complices adhuc nobis ignoti ad gremium ecclesie redierint, ac Deo et ecclesie, cui tantam injuriam intulerunt et dampnum passo satisfecerint competenter, et absolucionis beneficium a dictâ summâ in formâ juris meruerint obtinere, et aliud inde vobis dederimus in mandatis, quorum omnium absolucionem a singulis penitenciariis nostris ex causis legitimis nos moventibus omnino adimimus, et extra mortis articulum persone nostre specialiter reservamus.—*Ib.*, 9 June.

[20 a.] Absolution of Solas, Englished:—

On the 25 June, in the parish church of St. Olave's, Southwark, Robert *dit* Solas came before the prior of Southwark and

John de Kelleseye, the commissary of the diocese, specially deputed *ad hoc*, in the presence of the dean of Southwark, the rectors of St. George's and St. Olave's, and ds. John Crabbe, and prayed instantly and often that they would grant him the benefit of absolution from the greater excommunication incurred in manner aforesaid, and that justly, as he admitted; and having made amends to the church and to Aylesbury, and taken the customary oath, the commissary absolved him.—*Ib.*, 22 June.

[**21 b.**] Ferour and Solas monished to do penance:—

Message to dean of Southwark, enjoining him "quatenus dictos Robertum et Johannem primò, secundò, ac terciò, ac sub maioris excommunicacionis penâ, moneas seu moneri facias efficaciter et induci, quod dictam penitenciam humiliter et devotè peragant et peragat quilibet eorum; et assumptis tecum dicto rectore ac rectoribus ecclesiarum S. Olavi et S. Marie Magdalene de Bermondeseye, nostre diocesis, ac capellano parochiano S. Marie Magdalene de Suthwerke, ipsos penitentes personaliter prosequaris, et eos ad huiusmodi penitenciam plenè peragendam per quascunque censuras ecclesiasticas auctoritate nostrâ compellas. Et si huiusmodi penitenciam plenè secundum dictam formam peregerint, necne, et qualiter premissa fueris executus, nos citra festum S. Margarete virginis (20 July) proximè futurum clarè certificetis," etc.—Same date.

[**22 a.**] Dean of Southwark enjoined to publish sentence of excommunication against the others who arrested Aylesbury.—*Ib.*, 25 June.

[**21 b.**] On the 22nd of June, 1369, at Southwark, John Ferour was absolved by Kelleseye, and took an oath that he would not do the like again, but would abide by the orders of the Church and would do penance; and the penance put on him was, that he should on four Sundays attend the parish churches of Southwark, in the same manner as Robert Solas, bearing a lighted candle of half a pound weight, and the like on other four Sundays at the cathedral church.

[**21 b.**] Dispensation *super defectu natalium* granted to William Bourne, a scholar of the diocese, by Cardinal William, title S. Laurencii in Lucinâ.

[22 a.] Prayers for peace ordered throughout the diocese:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio priori ecclesie nostre cathedralis Wyntoniensis, s. g. et b. Omnipotens et misericors Altissimus oraciones humilium libenter exaudit, si prius defleant quod erraverunt, et post mundacionem erratorum suorum intentè ad Deum spiritu contrito et humili elevaverint voces suas; cumque non sit in manu volentis neque currentis, set Dei miserantis, bellorum victoria, regnorum tuicio, et finale juvamen, ac regnum Anglie, ducatus Acquitanie, et alie terre, loca, et insule a dicto regno dependencia periculis hostium invadencium sint vallata, qui ad destruccionem dictorum regni et locorum offerunt et erigunt se paratos; ac ad hoc totis viribus et machinacionibus satagunt et nituntur, nisi voluntas Altissimi in misericordiâ per preces humilium comitatur. Missas devotas, processiones generales, et oraciones humiles pro pace et tranquillitate dictorum regnorum et locorum in ecclesiâ nostrâ Wyntoniensi, civitati, diocese, ac singulis monasteriis, prioratibus, et ecclesiis conventualibus, collegiatis, et parochialibus nostre diocesis fore decrevimus solempniter celebrandas, ac mandavimus per nostras literas specialiter celebrari.

Vobis igitur in virtute obediencie firmiter injungimus et mandamus, vos attenciùs exortantes, quatenus processiones solempnes et missas publicas in dictâ ecclesiâ nostrâ Wyntoniensi singulis quartis et sextis feriis faciatis per vos et confratres vestros amodo[1] singulis ebdomadis cum omni diligenciâ celebrari, mundatis prius eorum cordibus ab omnibus sordibus peccatorum, ut Deus et dominus noster Ihu Christus ecclesiam, quam suo sanguine rubricavit, regnum quoque Anglie, terras, et loca ad idem regnum pertinencia, regem, principem, nobiles, et populos eorundem regni et locorum gubernet, dirigat, et conservet, et omnibus fidelibus dicti domini regis pacem tribuat, corroboret, et confirmet. Et, ut devociones omnium subditorum nostrorum ad dicte pietatis operis exercicium propensiùs excitemus, de Dei omnipotentis misericordiâ, gloriose virginis Marie, beatorum apostolorum Petri et Pauli, necnon sanctorum Ethelwoldi, Swithuni, Birini, et Hedde, patronorum nostrorum, et omnium sanctorum meritis et precibus confidentes, omnibus parochianis nostris et aliis, quorum diocesani hanc nostram indulgenciam ratam habuerint, de peccatis suis verè contritis et confessis, qui

[1] I. q. deinceps.—*Du Cange.*

dictis processionibus et missis interfuerint, et oraciones devotas pro pace dictorum regni, ducatûs, et locorum ad idem regnum spectancium, regis et principum, et aliorum suorum fidelium cordibus sinceris effuderint, missas quoque et processiones huiusmodi cordibus contritis et humilibus peregerint seu peragent, quadraginta dies de injunctâ sibi penitenciâ, Deo propicio, misericorditer relaxamus.—Southwark, 16 April.

[22 b.] Another summons to arms for defence of the realm :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio suo m. Johanni de Wormenhale, officiali nostro, s. g. et b. Nuper vobis et vestris sociis ad hoc per nos assignatis nostris tempestivè dedimus literis artiùs in mandatis, ut consideratis periculis hostium huius regni fines eius ingredi et invadere viis omnibus machinancium, que per priores literas[1] nostras vobis seriosiùs exposuimus, omnes et singulos viros ecclesiasticos, religiosos et seculares, beneficiatos et non beneficiatos, faceretis coram nobis armatos competenter, juxta eorum cuiuslibet decenciam et facultates, ad repulsionem dictorum hostium invasorum regni Anglie arraiari, et arraiacionem huiusmodi effectualiter et debitè fieri juxta priorum literarum nostrarum vobis et certis sociis vestris inde directarum continenciam et tenorem ; et venerabiles fratres domini archiepiscopus necnon Londoniensis, Exoniensis, Norwycensis, et alii episcopi regni Anglie in subsidium defensionis eiusdem regni clerum suum fecerunt ex causâ premissâ realiter et congruè armari et arraiari, et illud in opere poni per se et alios superviderunt. Et clerici nostri, qui super mare, ubi patet ingressus hostium, beneficia ecclesiastica sua tenent, in ore hostium predictorum non sunt, ut accepimus, armis muniti, nec coram vobis debitè arraiati. De quo consideratis periculis imminentibus nimirum in nostri cordis penetralibus gravissimè conturbamur, vestram segniciem non immeritò arguentes.

Vos igitur hortamur, artissimè injungentes, ut omni morâ postpositâ, assumptis vobiscum sociis vestris prioribus assignatis, ad partes archidiaconatûs Wyntoniensis, omnibus aliis negociis ad tempus quiescentibus, personaliter accedatis, et omnes de clero ipsius archidiaconatûs, beneficiatos et non beneficiatos, in formâ congruâ armari et arraiari, juxta facultates et statûs

[1] p. 79.

eorum decenciam, coram vobis et sociis vestris effectualiter fieri videatis, ne torpor vel negligencia nobis aut vobis super hoc racionabiliter valeat imputari, et propter pericula regni celeriùs repellenda.

Et ita sagaciter premissa omnia sine defectu expedire curetis, ut vestram fidelitatem et prudenciam in adventu nostro ad partes illas, quas infra quindenam proximè venturam per Dei graciam personaliter peragrare intendimus et videre, possimus meritò commendare.

Et adjungimus vobis ad premissa omnia expedienda dilectum filium priorem de Suthwyk, cui super hiis vobis explicandis firmam credenciam adhibere curetis.—*Ib.*, 6 July.

[23 a.] Commission for purgation of William Paunes, who was committed to Winchester Castle on divers charges of highway robbery (super eo quod dicebatur fore communis latro et congregator[1] et principalis ductor latronum, equitans in passu[2] de Aulton et Rompesdene,[3] Hanepynge,[4] Roulandes Castell, et alibi in comitatu Suthamptone, insidians[5] quamplures cum bonis suis transeuntes passus predictos, et illos de bonis felonicè depredâsse), and, claiming benefit of clergy, was delivered to the ordinary. The charges were:—

(1) In company with Nicholas de Hecfelde and William le Hounte robbing Richard Dene of 65*s.*, at Rowland's Castle. (2) In company with others unknown robbing William Triboun of 5*s.* 7*d.*, in the open fields of Bighton, and threatening to cut out Triboun's tongue unless he fetched twenty marks. (3) Robbing John de Boketone of a horse, value 20*s.*, at Boleye.[6] (4) Robbing Richard atte Pytte of a horse and other goods and chattels, at Warnford.—*Ib.*, 8 July.

[1] One who gathers unto him, like David at the cave of Adullam (1 *Sam.* xxii, v. 2).

[2] In the pass or bridleway through the thicket between Alton and East Meon, perhaps where Adam de Gurdon, the outlaw, fought with Prince Edward.

[3] Now Ramsdean, a hamlet on the road between East Meon and Petersfield.

[4] Now Hampnage or Hempage, about three miles east of Winchester, between the two roads to Alresford; the wood which bp. Walkelin felled in order to roof the Cathedral.

[5] By Stat. 4 Hen. IV, c. 2, the words "insidiatores viarum" and "depopulatores agrorum" shall not be used in any indictment, because these words were held to exclude benefit of clergy; but words of the same import might be used, and when used did not debar clerks when indicted from claiming the privilege of being delivered to their ordinaries.

[6] Bolinge Hill, near Petersfield.

[23b.] Commission for purgation of John Wardecorps, of Shirbourne, who was committed to Winchester Castle on charges of stealing from Henry Pokerygge on Monday in the first week of Lent, 40 Ed. III, a horse value two marks; breaking and entering the house of Christina Breze and stealing linens and woollens value five marks; and breaking and entering in the night-time the house of Christina le Dresshe, at Eversley, and stealing linens and woollens, silver spoons, and a cup (*ciphus*) hooped with silver, value 100*s.*; and claiming benefit of clergy, was delivered to the ordinary.—Same date.

[31b.] Another commission for purgation of Wardecorps and Paunes.—*Ib.*, 1 Feb., 1369–70.

[167a.] Another for Wardecorps, and [170a] certificate of prior of Winchester Cathedral, dated 20 January, 1378–9, that the official had held an inquiry at Holy Trinity church, Guildford, and found that the charge was a grave one, resting on the evidence of credible persons who were not enemies of Wardecorps; so that purgation was not granted.

[24a.] Prayers for the soul of Queen Philippa of Hainault[1] ordered :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio officiali archidiaconi nostri Wyntoniensis, s. g. et b. Eterni Regis ineffabilis prudencia, qui hominem ad ymaginem et similitudinem suam secretâ dispensacione consilii condidit et formavit, et post lapsum protoplausti Filium suum misit in terras, ut genus humanum vulneratum et captivum de latentis inimici faucibus suo precioso sanguine misericorditer liberaret, ad sui nutum arbitrii aufert spiritus principum et pauperum equâ sorte, sacro eloquio id testante; nam unus est omnium introitus ad vitam et similis fore exitus in libro experiencie demonstratur.

Casum siquidem lugubrem et plenum amaritudinis cum dolore cordis intrinsecus nunciamus, quod serenissima domina, domina Philippa celebris memorie, regina Anglie, de stirpe clarissimâ propagata, que rebus dum ageret in humanis humilitatis virtutem ceteris virtutibus ante districti judicis oculos preeminentem, sedulis actibus sectabatur; in elemosinarum

[1] Daughter of William, Count of Holland and Hainault, married to Edward III in 1327.

largicione manum suam largifluam aperuit inopi et digitos suos extendit ad pauperes, viduis pupillis et orphanis et aliis miserabilibus personis pia eciam misericors extitit suffragatrix, ecclesie sancte devota, pro republicâ interventrix, Deo et hominibus quam dilecta, mundi temptaciones et certamina feliciter pertransivit, ab erumpnis huius exilii ad supremi Judicis tribunal, prout Deo placuit, juxta communem legem mortalium est assumpta.

Set quamvis innumeris virtutum muneribus prepolleret, si tamen fragilitas condicionis humane quicquam in ipsâ expiabile reliquerit forsitan indeletum, propter quod penam debitam plenariè non persolvit, vivorum tamen suffragiis, ut per ea a commissis et penis eorundem celeriùs absolvatur, properè noscitur indigere.

Unde nos premissa in nostri cordis armariolo tenerrimè recensentes, exequias et missas pro eâdem in ecclesiâ nostrâ Wyntoniensi et singulis aliis ecclesiis, regularibus et secularibus, per civitatem et diocesim nostram Wyntoniensem constitutis, fore decrevimus solempniter celebrandas.

Vobis igitur in virtute obediencie, et sub maioris excommunicacionis penâ, firmiter injungimus et mandamus, quatenus omnes et singulos abbates, priores, capitula, conventus, et collegia, exempta et non exempta, necnon ecclesiarum rectores et vicarios, ac capellanos parochiales, et alios per dictum archidiaconatum quomodolibet constitutos, auctoritate nostrâ moneatis, premuniatis, hortemini, et efficaciter inducatis, ut pulsatis campanis pro convocacione fidelium ad huiusmodi solempnitatem tali die exequias et proximo die sequenti missas in suis ecclesiis et locis ad hoc aptis pro eâdem dominâ reginâ defunctâ solempniter celebrent et faciant juxta statûs ipsius decenciam debitè celebrari, et devotas oraciones ad Deum effundant et effundi procurent, ut Deus et Pater misericordiarum animam ipsius regine a commissis et penis omnibus absolvat, et eam inter sanctos et electos suos dignetur per suam pietatem maximam collocare ; et faciatis premissa exponi populo, ut intelligere valeant eciam in vulgari.

Et, ut mentes fidelium ad oraciones pro ipsâ supplices effundendas et predicte devocionis opera diligenciùs exercenda propensiùs excitemus, de Dei omnipotentis misericordiâ, beatissime

virginis Marie, beatorum apostolorum Petri et Pauli, necnon sanctorum confessorum Birini, Swithuni, Ethelwoldi, et Hedde, dicte nostre ecclesie patronorum, et omnium Sanctorum meritis et precibus confidentes, omnibus parochianis nostris et aliis quorum diocesani hanc nostram indulgenciam ratam habuerint et acceptam, de peccatis suis verè penitencibus et confessis, qui dictas exequias et missas pro animâ domine prelibate devotè celebraverint, seu si clerici inferioris sedis aut laici fuerint, et eisdem exequiis et missis ipsos interesse contigerit, et septies oracionem dominicam cum salutacione gloriose virginis supradicte dixerint mente devotâ, quadraginta dies de injunctâ sibi penitenciâ, Deo propicio, misericorditer relaxamus.—*Ib.*, 16 Aug.

[24b.] Similar letters to archdeacon of Surrey and prior of Winchester Cathedral.

[25a.] Memorandum, quod prefata domina Philippa, regina Anglie, migravit ab hoc seculo apud Wyndeshore die Assumpcionis B. V. M. (15 August), 1369.

St. Mary Magdalen, Bermondsey. Citation of John the rector for non-residence.—*Ib.*, 21 June.

[25b.] Lingfield. John, bishop of Man (episcopus Ayabonensis), commissioned to consecrate chancel and high altar, which had been rebuilt, and reconcile churchyard, which had been polluted by the shedding of blood; also to ascertain the names of all who thus polluted the churchyard, with power to grant them absolution; also to administer the sacrament of confirmation in the diocese until Martinmas (11 Nov.) then next.—*Ib.*, Oct. 6.

[26a.] Circular to the archdeacons, ordering prayers for repose of the soul of Lionel, duke of Clarence.[1]

Willelmus, etc. Eterni patris providencia volens hominibus, quos ad sui ymaginem et similitudinem mirabiliter condidit et formavit, inter cetera de salutis remedio providere, suâ piâ

[1] Second son of Edward III, died about September 8th, 1368, at the Court of Galeas, duke of Milan, whose daughter, Violante, he had taken to wife only five months before—"potu violento occisus, prout moris Lumbardorum est communis," says the chronicler. His marriage articles will be found in Rymer's *Foedera*, III, 2, 135.

miseracione disposuit oracionum et aliorum pietatis operum exercicia animabus fidelium post vestem mortalitatis exutam posse salubriter suffragari, ut eorum interventu anime defunctorum a penis purgatorii pro peccatis, que in huiusmodi orbis exilio fragiliter contraxerint, Dei misericordiâ citiùs absolvantur.

Nuper siquidem rumor, insipidus, et infestus, quod pro cordis amaritudine gementes referimus, thalamum cordis domini nostri Regis nimirum acriter perforavit, quod strenuissimus princeps dominus Leonellus, dudum dux Clarencie, natus ipsius domini regis inclitus, communem patriam omnium mortalium est ingressus, et ad supremi Regis nutûs imperium, qui aufert spiritum principum et pauperum, a curis huiusmodi seculi jam translatus. Unde idem dominus rex suis literis specialiter nos rogavit, ut exequias et missas et alias oraciones devotas in ecclesiâ nostrâ Wyntoniensi et cunctis monasteriis ecclesiis conventualibus et collegiatis nostre diocesis, exemptis et non exemptis, ac parochialibus ecclesiis per nostras civitatem et diocesim constitutis, faciamus dicto die solempniter celebrari, ipsius animam Altissimo devotis precibus commendando; nos volentes mente sincerâ huiusmodi condescendere piis votis, vobis in virtute obediencie firmiter injungimus et districte precipiendo mandamus, etc.—as above, with grant of forty days' indulgence.—Farnham, x Kal. Jan., 1368–9.

[**27a.**] Commission for purgation of Robert le Bode, who was indicted for that on the Tuesday next after St. Valentine's day, 32 Ed. III, in the suburb of Chichester and hundred of Boxstokkbrygge, he feloniously killed Maud his wife; and being committed to Guildford Castle, claimed his clergy, and was delivered to the ordinary.[1]—Southwark, 17 Oct., 1370.

[**42a.**] Certificate of Bode's purgation and discharge.—Winchester, 13 Kal. Nov., 1372.

[**27b.**] Conditional relaxation of sequestration for dilapidations at Mickleham, on undertaking by rector to do the repairs:

Willelmus, etc., dilecto f. nostro Johanni de Sancto Neoto, rectori ecclesie de Shere, nostre diocesis, sequestratori nostro in archidiaconatu Surreiensi, s. g. et b. Intelligi nobis datur, quod

[1] Entered again at p. 41*b*.

vos fructus, redditus, et proventus ecclesie de Mickelham, nostre diocesis, propter defectum reparacionis domorum rectorie eiusdem ecclesie sequestrâstis, et volumus quod dictum sequestrum, si non subsit alia causa legitima, relaxetis; cui injunximus, quod citra festum S. Michaelis proximè futurum huius domos rectorie sue predicte faciat congruè reparari; alioquin volumus, quod extunc ad reparacionem dictorum defectuum per vos auctoritate nostrâ legitimè compellatur.—Southwark, 12 Oct., 1369.

Thomas de Overtone, deceased. Grant of administration to John de Ware, sequestrator for the archdeaconry of Winchester. —Same date.

[28a.] Mandate for Convocation, directed by the primate to Simon, bishop of London:—

Willelmus, etc., venerabili fratri nostro Simoni, Dei graciâ Londoniensi episcopo, salutem et fraterne dileccionis in Domino continuum incrementum.

Ingens et indissimulata negociorum necessitas ac arduorum, nedum Anglicane concernencium utilitatem ecclesie, set eciam domini nostri regis et regni statum, tranquillitatisque et quietis eiusdem ac bonum publicum, ut speramus, multipliciter nos urget, licet cum fastidio, prelatos ac clerum nostri Cantuariensis provincie convocare; et ad eam faciendum, cum frequenti et assiduâ ipsius regis nostri instanciâ breve suum recepimus sub hiis verbis *Edwardus*, etc., ut inter alia brevia regia.

Quocirca fraternitati vestre committimus et mandamus, in virtute sancte obediencie firmiter injungentes, quatenus venerabiles fratres nostros episcopos omnes et singulos dicte nostre provincie suffraganeos nostros, et electos confirmatos, si qui fuerint, et absencium huiusmodi episcoporum vicarios in spiritualibus generales, et custodes nostros spiritualitatis in civitatibus et diocesibus Exoniensi, Herefordensi, et Norwycensi, sedibus ibidem episcopalibus vacantibus, generales citetis seu citari faciatis peremptoriè, et per eos decanos et priores ecclesiarum cathedralium, ac singula capitula eorundem. Archidiaconos quoque, abbates, et priores conventus sub se habentes, et alios ecclesiarum prelatos, exemptos et non exemptos, clerumque cuiuslibet diocesis provincie nostre antedicte, citari peremptoriè

et premuniri volumus ; et mandamus, quod iidem episcopi, electi, vicarii generales, ac custodes nostri predicti, decani, priores huiusmodi ecclesiarum cathedralium, archidiaconi quoque, et abbates, priores, ac ceteri ecclesiarum prelati, tam exempti quam non exempti personaliter, et quodlibet capitulum ecclesiarum cathedralium per unum, clerusque cuiuslibet diocesis nostre provincie antedicte per duos sufficientes procuratores compareant coram nobis aut nostris in hâc parte locum tenentibus seu commissariis, si nos tunc, quod absit, impediri contigerit, in ecclesiâ S. Pauli, London., die Lune proximo post festum SS. Fabiani et Sebastiani[1] martirum proximum tunc futurum, ad tractandum nobiscum, cum continuacione et prorogacione dierum tunc sequencium et locorum, super hiis, de quibus in dicto brevi regio fit mencio, et aliis arduis et urgentibus negociis ecclesiam Anglicanam et clerum huiusmodi concernentibus et ibidem seriosiùs exponendis, suaque consilia et auxilia super eis impensuri, et ad consenciendum hiis, que ibidem ex deliberacione communi ad honorem Dei et ecclesie sue, et utilitatem regni et totius rei publice, ut speramus, contigerit concorditer ordinari, facturique ulteriùs et recepturi, quod justum fuerit, et huiusmodi negocii qualitas et natura exigunt et requirunt.

Vos eciam dictum mandatum, quatenus vos et diocesim vestram London. concernit exequi, per omnia faciatis, et eidem nostro mandato in omnibus pareatis cum effectu.

Tenore insuper presencium peremptoriè vos citamus, quatenus eisdem die et loco compereatis coram nobis seu nostris in hâc parte commissariis, unà cum aliis nostris suffraganeis, ut premittitur, tractaturi, facturique, necnon recepturi, quatenus ad vos attinet, prout superiùs continetur ; prelatis eciam ecclesiarum exemptarum non mendicantibus vestre, et aliorum coëpiscoporum nostre provincie, diocesis cuiuscunque fuerint [28b] ordinis per vos et dictis confratres nostros, prout vos et unumquemque ipsorum concernit, volumus intimari, ut prefatis die et loco absque suorum privilegiorum in hâc parte prejudicio, quibus per hoc derogari nolumus, nobiscum intersint, facturi in premissis et ea concernentibus, quod superiùs est expressum.

Volumus insuper et mandamus, quod intimetis seu denunciari faciatis dicte nostre provincie coëpiscopis et confratribus ac

[1] 20 January, 1369-70.

vicariis huiusmodi, decanis, abbatibus, prioribus, et ceteris ecclesiarum prelatis supradictis, quod eos a personali compericione in huiusmodi congregacione dictis die et loco per nos seu nostrâ auctoritate, Deo annuente, celebrandâ, habere non intendimus istâ vice excusatos, nisi ex causâ necessariâ tunc ibidem allegandâ eciam et probandâ, set eorum contumacia, si qui forsitan absentes fuerint, secundum juris exigenciam canonicè punietur.

Vobis eciam, ut supra, injungimus et mandamus, quod omnibus et singulis dictis nostris suffraganeis, vicariis, et electis huiusmodi predictis, ac dictis nostris custodibus injungatis seu injungi faciatis, ut singuli eorum singillatim de facto suo in hâc parte, quatenus pertinet ad eosdem, nos seu nostros locum tenentes et commissarios antedictos dictis die et loco per literas eorum patentes, citatorum eciam nomina continentes, distinctè et apertè certificent, ut est moris.

De diebus verò recepcionis presencium, et quid feceritis in premissis, nos nostrosve locum tenentes et commissarios predictos eisdem die et loco modo debito certificare curetis per literas vestras patentes, harum seriem et citatorum nomina vestre diocesis in hâc parte in cedulâ separatâ literis certificatoriis vestris huiusmodi annexâ pleniùs continentes.—Charing, viij Id. Nov., A.D. MCCCLXIX.

Bishop of London to the bishop:—

Reverendo, etc., Simon, permissione divinâ London. episcopus, salutem, etc. Literas reverendi patris et domini nostri, domini Willelmi, Dei graciâ Cantuariensis episcopi, totius Anglie primatis, et apostolice sedis legati, nobis directas recepimus in hec verba. *Willelmus, etc.* (see above). Auctoritate igitur mandati predicti patris reverendi cum eâ, quâ decet, reverenciâ vobis omnia et singula in eodem mandato contenta notificamus, tenoreque presencium peremptoriè vos citamus, ac per vos priorem et capitulum ecclesie vestre cathedralis, necnon archidiaconos, abbates et priores conventus sub se habentes, et alios ecclesiarum prelatos, exemptos et non exemptos, clerumque vestre diocesis Wynton. citari peremptoriè ac premuniri volumus et mandamus, quod compereatis et compereant ipsi coram dicto reverendo patre, aut suis in hâc parte locum tenentibus seu commissariis, die et loco in eodem mandato contentis, cum

continuacione et prorogacione dierum tunc sequencium et locorum, facturi per omnia que tenor mandati exigit et requirit.

Omnia insuper alia in eodem contenta mandato, quatenus vos, civitatem, et diocesim vestras aut personas earundem concernunt, juxta vim, formam, et effectum eiusdem, execucioni plenariè demandetis et faciatis effectualiter demandari; certificantes dictum reverendum patrem, sive suos locum tenentes, et commissarios antedictos dictis die et loco distinctè et apertè ac literatoriè, prout in sepedicto mandato fieri demandatur.—Wickham, iiij Id. Nov.

The bishop to the archdeacon of Winchester, after reciting above letters:—

Nos igitur, volentes omnia et singula in dictis literis comprehensa, quatenus nos concernere poterunt, execucioni debite demandare, tenore presencium peremptoriè vos citamus, et per vos omnes et singulos abbates, priores sub se conventus habentes, exemptos et non exemptos, clerum quoque archidiaconatûs predicti premuniri et citari peremptoriè volumus et mandamus, quod vos et abbates et priores predicti personaliter, clerus quoque prefatus per unum procuratorem sufficientem compereatis et compereant coram prefato domino archiepiscopo, seu eius locum tenentibus aut commissariis, die et loco in dicto mandato suo contentis, cum continuacione dierum subsequencium et locorum, tractaturi, facturi in omnibus, et recepturi, quod tenor et effectus literarum predictarum exigunt et requirunt.

De diebus verò recepcionis presencium, nominibus et cognominibus omnium per vos in hâc parte citatorum, unà cum nomine et cognomine procuratoris per clerum dicti archidiaconatûs electi in cedulâ certificatorio vestro connectendâ conscriptis, et qualiter predicta omnia et singula fueritis executi, nos citra festum Epiphanie Domini proximò jam venturum clarè, plenè et distinctè certificetis literis vestris patentibus, habentibus hunc tenorem.—Southwark, 16 Nov., 1369.

[29a.] Dispensation *super defectu natalium* granted to John Frelonde, pursuant to indulgence issued by Galhard de Bosco Viridi, papal penitancer.—Esher, 19 Dec.

Commission to official to prove will of Walter de Danseye. —*Ib.*, 1 Jan., 1369–70.

[29b.] Dispensation for Elizabeth Juliers, countess of Kent. Having vowed a pilgrimage to St. Thomas of Canterbury once a year on foot, and certain days of abstinence, she is released from the latter part of her vow, on condition of feeding one poor person the same number of days.

Willelmus, etc., dilecte in Christo filie, domine Elizabeth Juleres, comitisse Kantie, s. g. et b. Peticio tua nobis exposita continebat, quod cum nuper zelo pie devocionis succensa limina S. Thome Cantuariensis archiepiscopi et martyris ad honorem Dei et dicti gloriosi martyris personaliter visitare, et certas abstinencias interim exercere votum specialiter emisisti, set ob corporis imbecillitatem votum partis abstinencie huiusmodi nequis comodè adimplere, super quo petisti anime tue saluti per nos salubriter de congruo remedio provideri. Nos igitur, peticioni tue huiusmodi racionabili favorabiliter annuentes, votum abstinencie huiusmodi in alia pietatis opera commutavimus, videlicet ut pro quâlibet die abstinencie huiusmodi ex voto predicto debite alicui pauperi unius diei congrua ministrari facias tuis propriis sumptibus alimenta.[1]—*Ib.*, 17 Dec., 1369.

Pensions in arrear. Rectors of Hursley,[2] Newton Valence, Leatherhead, Dorking, and Witley cited to show cause, etc.—Southwark, 24 Jan., 1369–70.

[30a.] St. Mary's Abbey, Winchester. Excommunication denounced against certain who abducted one of the nuns.[3]

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis officiali nostro principali et archidiaconis nostris Wyntoniensi et Surreiensi ac ipsorum officialibus, necnon universis et singulis decanis, ecclesiarum rectoribus, vicariis, ac capellanis parochialibus per civitatem et diocesim nostram Wyntoniensem quomodolibet constitutis, s. g. et b. Horrendi facinoris immensitas non sine gravi cordis displicenciâ

[1] Elizabeth, daughter of William, marquis of Juliers, married John, eldest surviving son of Edmund, earl of Kent, who died s. p. 27 Dec., 26 Ed. III. Early in her widowhood she was veiled at Waverley abbey by bp. Edyndone, but being minded to change her condition, married Sir Eustace Dabridgecourt, at Wingham, in Kent, on Michaelmas day, 1360, without a license. The above mentioned pilgrimage and days of abstinence were imposed as penance for this irregularity.—Dugdale's *Baronage*, vol. ii, p. 92; and see Horace Walpole's paper in *The World*, No. 160, dated 22 January, 1756.

[2] This pension was found to be payable by the provost of St. Elizabeth's College.

[3] By stat. 13 Ed. I, c. 34, the civil penalty for this offence was three years' imprisonment and satisfaction to the religious house and the king.

nostrum pulsavit auditum, quod quidam perdicionis filii, Deum non timentes, nec verecundiam seculi formidantes, nuper monasterium sanctimonialium beate Marie Wyntoniensis, ordinis Sancti Benedicti, violenter ingredientes, ac quandam sanctimonialem dicti monasterii prefatum ordinem in eo expressè professam, ac quamplura bona abbatisse et conventûs ipsius loci preter voluntatem et permissionem dominorum ipsorum, et eorum qui erant huiusmodi rerum custodie deputati, cum eâdem consumere, auferre, et contrectare presumpserunt, abstrahi, consumi, et contrectari fecerunt et procurârunt, et, quod horribile est auditu, cum eâdem sanctimoniali sic professâ incestum et sacrilegium nequiter commiserunt, fotores libidinose turpitudinis cum ipsâ postea in nostrâ diocesi dampnabiliter exercendo, et ipsam extra suum monasterium in abditis receptaclis detinere presumpserunt, et unà cum bonis predictis detinent in presenti, maioris excommunicacionis summas tam contra auferentes bona a domibus et locis ad ecclesias pertinentibus, quam contra sanctimoniales professas incestuosè cognoscentes, a sanctis patribus promulgatas non sine salutis eterne intuitu incurrendo.

Nos igitur malefactores predictos perfecto odio ex officii nostri debito prosequentes, ne tam horrendum flagicium oculis conniventibus pertranseat impunitum, vobis communiter et divisim in virtute sancte obediencie et sub maioris excommunicacionis penâ firmiter injungimus et mandamus, quatenus omnes et singulos dicta bona unà cum ipsâ moniali a dicto monasterio extrahentes et contrectantes, abstrahi vel contrectari facientes seu procurantes, necnon cum ipsâ sanctimoniali incestûs libidinem committentes, in prefatas excommunicacionum summas incidisse, et sic excommunicatos fore in singulis ecclesiis parochialibus civitatis et diocesis predictarum omnibus diebus dominicis et festivis intra missarum solempnia, cum maior confluxerit et affuerit populi multitudo, pulsatis campanis, cruce erectâ, candelis accensis et demum extinctis, cum omni solempnitate debitâ, stolis et albis induti, palam et publicè nuncietis et faciatis per alios nunciari, exinde non cessantes, quousque dicti malefactores bona predicta cum personâ abductâ dicto monasterio plenè restituerint, et de excessu huiusmodi satisfecerint, se emendaverint, et absolucionis beneficium a dictis summis in formâ juris meruerint obtinere; quorum omnium absolucionem

ab omnibus et singulis penitenciariis adimimus et nobis extra mortis articulum specialiter reservamus

Et predicta omnia exponatis populo eciam in vulgari; de nominibus insuper et cognominibus omnium et singulorum prefata crimina et excessu vel aliqua eorundem sic, ut premittitur, committencium seu super eis diffamatorum per viros fidedignos et juratos ac singillatim in formâ debitâ examinatorum diligenter et sagaciter inquiratis.

Et quos per eandem inquisicionem reos, culpabiles, seu diffamatos inveneritis, citetis seu citari peremptoriè faciatis, quod compereant coram nobis vicesimo die post diem citacionis vestre immediatè sequenti, si dies jurisdiccionis fuerit, alioquin proximo die juridico extunc sequenti, in loco congruo per vos assignando, super dictis criminibus et excessibus eis et eorum cuilibet ex officio nostro ad animarum suarum correccionem obiciendis, responsuri, et de veritate dicendâ super eis personaliter juraturi, facturique ulteriùs et recepturi in premissis et quolibet premissorum quod racio et justicia suadebunt et canonicis congruet institutis.—*Ib.*, 24 Jan., 1369–70.

[30b.] Publication of sentence of excommunication on Richard Bulgy for contempt:—

Universis sancte matris ecclesie filiis presentes literas inspecturis Willelmus, etc., salutem in vero omnium Salvatore. Ad universitatis vestre noticiam deducimus per presentes, quod Ricardus Bulgy, nostre diocesis, propter suas multiplicitas contumacias et offensas coram officiali nostro contractas fuit et est ad instanciam religiosi viri f. Johannis, abbatis monasterii Belli Loci Regis, auctoritate nostrâ maioris excommunicacionis summâ innodatus, et pro sic excommunicato publicè nunciatus, dicta quoque summa propter ipsius excommunicati pertinaciam fuit et est legitimè aggravata, in quâ quidem summâ a diu est perseveravit et perseverat animo indurato, claves sancte matris ecclesie nequiter contempnendo.

In quorum omnium testimonium, etc.—*Ib.*, 22 Jan.

[31a.] Notarial act, recording the submission of a bondman of the bishop's manor of Harwell, Bucks:—

In Dei nomine, amen. Per presens instrumentum cunctis appareat evidenter, quod anno ab Incarnacione Domini secundum

censum et computacionem ecclesie Anglicane millesimo CCCLXIX, indiccione[1] octavâ, mensis Februarii die quartâ, pontificatûs SS. in Christo patris et domini Urbani, divinâ providenciâ pape quinti, anno octavo, constitutus personaliter in mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presenciâ Thomas Catewy coram venerabili in Christo patre et domino, domino Willelmo, Dei graciâ Wyntoniensi episcopo, in presenciâ dominorum subscriptorum, videlicet, domini de Latymer, senescalli domini nostri Regis; Thome Brentyngham,[2] thesaurarii; Petri Lacy, clerici privati sigilli; dominorum Johannis de Cobham, Aymerici de Sancto Amando,[3] et Edmundo de Sancto Amando, filio eiusdem, militum; et Roberti Thorp, Johannis Knyvett, Thome Lodelowe, Johannis Mowbray, Willelmi Wythyngham, et Willelmi Fynchyngdene, justiciariorum domini nostri regis; Roberti Belknapp, Rogeri Merus, Johannis Cavendich, Edmund Chellereye, Henrici Sturmy, Roberti Tresilien, Ricardi Broune, Johannis Suthbury, Johannis Estbury, Michaelis Skyllyng, exhibuit quandam cedulam in papiro scriptam, et eam genuflexo tradidit dicto venerabili patri episcopo Wyntoniensi.

Qui quidem venerabilis pater episcopus dictam cedulam admisit, et per dictum Robertum Belknapp palam et publicè legi fecit. Quâ quidem cedulâ lectâ, idem Thomas Catewy dixit et asseruit palam et expressè, quod omnia contenta in cedulâ memoratâ sunt de voluntate suâ, et voluntas sua existit, quidquid continetur in cedulâ memoratâ; et se submisit secundum quod in dictâ cedulâ est contentum et expressum.

Tenor verò eiusdem cedule de verbo ad verbum talis erat:—

"Come sur le claym qe vous, monsieur evesque de Wyncestre, eietz fait et faites envers ma persone destre votre naif,[4] eie avant ceaux houres fait debat et contre dit, et ceo moi desplet oe ore ne votre claym susdit, ne poes ne voil desoremes countre dire, et moi suzmette entre enterement es voz agards demeisne afaire solonc lavys de votre conseil, et prest su a performer qanqe vous plerra sur ceste matiere."

Acta sunt hec, que dixi, apud Westm., in quâdam camerâ

[1] See vol. i, p. xi, as to the meaning of this word.

[2] Bishop of Exeter. [3] Justiciar of Ireland, d. 1382. *Dict. Nat. Biog.*, L. 118.

[4] Naif (*nativus*), a bondman, "ascriptus glebæ." Catewy had apparently claimed to be a free tenant of the manor.

juxta scaccarium domini nostri regis situatâ sub anno, etc., predictis presentibus, etc.

[33 b.] His recognisance :—

Jeo, Thomas Catewy, jure sur ceaux seintz evangelyes qil il nad nulle charge per estatut marchant, reconysance, ne autrement fait accion acruiz a nully per nulle makement ne demyse ne feffement a nully fait dun mees, qatre vintz acres de terre, sys acres de pratez, et trois souldes de rente ove les aportenances en Harewell, qe furent a Wautier Catewy mon piere, pentre la primere possession qe mon dit piere eut avoit, et ycest iour, forsque un estatut marchant de c li. fait par Waltier mon frere a un Johan Burghfelde, et un demyse p. mon dit frere fait a moi de mesne les tenementz, et un autre demyse faite puis par moi a mons. Johan de Thrillowe, sire Wautier Daftone, Johan Upcote, et Nichole Draytone en fee simple, ne ne ferra pentre ycy ; et qe jeye fait feffement de mesmes les tenementz a sire William Mulsho, f. Adam de Hertyngdone, Estephene Hayme, et William Reynaude, quel feffement en fee simple jeo ferray ove garauntye de moi et de mes heyres [34 a.] deintz ceaux quinze iours proschein ensuantz, et jeo ferrai avoir as avantditz sire William et les autres issint pur moi a enfeffere enloustel monsieur evesque de Wyncestre, en Suthwerke, devant la Nativité seint Johan le Baptiste ore proschein avenir tous les auncyenes fyns, faitz, charges, et munymentz touchantz mesme les tenementz, as queux ieo purrai en ascun manere avenir, et un reles de chescun des avantditz monsieurs Johan, Wautier, Johan Upcote, et Nichole, ou de lour heires, en la possession des avantditz William, Adam, Estephene, et William de tut lour droit en celle partie, issint qils et lours heires as touz iours soient forclos daction en perpetueltee ; queux reles ieo les ferray livrer en le dit hostiel devant la feste seint Michel proschein avenir, et qe ieo ferrai une reconysaunce en le chauncelrye nostre sieur le roi la x[me] de la Trinite as avantditz William, Adam, Estephene, et William de cc li.

The above Englished :—

I, Thomas Catewy, do swear on these holy gospels that no incumbrance by statute merchant, recognisance, or other act of law in favour of any, nor demise nor feoffment to any person of a messuage, eighty acres of arable land, six acres of meadow, and three shillings yearly

rent, with the appurtenances, in Harwell, which formerly belonged to Walter Cateway, my father, has been made from the beginning of my father's seisin unto this day, except a statute merchant for £100 made by my brother Walter to one John Burghfield, and a grant by my said brother to me of the same tenements, and another by me afterwards to John de Thrillowe and others in fee simple, which feoffment I bind myself and my heirs to produce within five days . . .

[31 a.] Mandate directed to the archdeacons to order prayers for peace to be continued:—

Willelmus, etc. Sacro eloquio testante, intellectûs nostri oculos aperit et non latet, quod dum Moyses legis lator, ductor populi Israelitici, preces devotas in conspectu Altissimi supliciter effundebat, hostes suos idem populus devincebat; et dum desineret exorare, idem populus vincebatur. Unde multum valet deprecacio justorum assidua, cum instanciâ debitè continuata; nam virtutis pondus oracio non habet, quam perseverancia amoris continui nusquam tenet. Nos siquidem intuentes, quanta discrimina bellorum et invasionum nostrorum hostium exterorum ad aggrediendum, ingrediendum, et affligendum fines regni Anglie tam per terras quam per mare cum non parvâ multitudine classium et virorum armatorum indies preparantur, processiones fieri et missas celebrari et alias devotas oraciones dici et continuari in omnibus monasteriis, ecclesiis, et aliis sacris locis civitatis diocesis nostre Wyntoniensis mandavimus et fecimus, certas indulgencias huiusmodi missas, processiones, et oraciones exercentibus et dicentibus in humilitatis spiritu concedentes; set prohdolor! vehementer angit intima cordis nostri, quod ab huiusmodi missis, processionibus, et oracionibus clerus et populus nobis subditus iam pigrescit, que, dum fiebant, ab Alto presidium attulerunt. Nos igitur, satagentes missas et processiones ad laudem Divini Nominis in nostrâ diocesi taliter dormientes ab omni pigriciâ suscitare, vobis firmiter injungimus in virtute obediencie et mandamus, quatenus, etc., with grant of forty days indulgence.—*Ib.*, 5 Feb.

[31 b.] License to Simon de Swaveseye, r. of Mickleham (vol. i, pp. 24, 43), to let the church for two years, at instance of sir John Knyvett, one of the king's justiciars.—*Ib.*, 6 Feb.

Dimissory for m. Thomas Yung, r. of Nether Wallop (vol. i, p. 24), *ut a quocunque episcopo . . . ad omn.*—*Ib.*, 14 Feb.

[32 a.] Said Thomas Yung licensed to appoint his own confessor :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio, etc., s. g. et b. Cum desideres ad sacros ordines diaconatûs et presbyteratûs debitis temporibus convolare ; nos anime tue saluti providere volentes, ut confessorem idoneum eligere valeas, qui te a sentenciis excommunicacionum, suspensionum et interdicti, quas sibi confiteberis in foro penitenciali, absolvere valeat, eciam ad cautelam, et penitencias pro commissis tibi injungere salutares, tibi et confessori tuo huiusmodi in premissis liberam tenore presencium concedimus facultatem.—*Ib.*, 14 Feb.

License of non-residence for two years to William Rodes, r. of Shalfleet, to be in attendance (in obsequiis insistendo) on the earl of Salisbury.—*Ib.*, 3 Feb.

Mandate directed to archdeacons to make a return before Easter of the number of aliens, secular and religious, beneficed in their archdeaconries, with names and surnames, the names of their benefices, and the annual value of each :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio, etc., s. g. et b. Breve domini nostri regis recepimus tenorem continens infradictum *Edwardus*, etc. Vobis igitur in virtute obediencie, quâ nobis tenemur, districtè precipimus et mandamus, quatenus quot viri alienigene, seculares et alii, in archidiaconatu vestro ad beneficia ecclesiastica sunt promoti, et quid et quantum eorum beneficia valent, et quodlibet eorum, per annum, et que et cuiusmodi beneficia illa sunt, et que sunt nomina et cognomina dicta beneficia occupancium, diligenter et solicitè inquiratis, et quid per eandem inquisicionem inveneritis, unà cum nominibus propriis et cognominibus dictorum alienigenarum et beneficiorum ipsorum, et valorem eorundem, nos citra festum pasche proximè futurum clarè et plenariè certificetis, etc.—Farnham, 9 March.

Acquittance for the pension (see p. 100), payable by St. Elizabeth's College, as appropriators of Hursley.

Noverint universi nos Willelmum de Wykeham, etc., recepisse de domino Johanne de Sheptone, preposito capelle nostre S. Elizabethe juxta palacium nostrum de Wolveseye, tresdecim solidos et iiij denarios per manus Johannis de

Quernebye, clerici nostri, de quâdam annuâ pensione de prefato preposito racione appropriacionis ecclesie de Husrelegh nobis debitâ de termino annunciacionis beate Marie proximò jam effluxo ; de quibus tresdecim solidis et quatuor denariis fatemur nobis fore satisfactum, et prefatum dominum Johannem inde acquietamus per presentes, sigillo officii nostri signatas.[1]—*Ib.*, 7 March.

[32 b.] Appointment of ff. Nicholas de Wykforde, Richard Pechy, and Peter de Oxenforde, three monks of Winchester Cathedral, to be penitancers within the diocese.—Farnham Castle, 9 March, 1369–70.

License for collectors of alms for St. Anthony's Hospital at Vienne[2]:—

Willelmus, etc. Juxta firmum sacre fidei catholice fundamentum in die carnis resurreccionis generalis omnes stabimus ante tribunal domini nostri Ihu Christi, recepturi prout quisque gessit in corpore, sive bonum fuerit sive malum ; et qui pace seminat, pace et metet, et qui seminat in elemosinis, hic dum rebus aget in humanis de elemosinis tunc metet redempcionem eciam omnium peccatorum ; cunque sit notissimum et in variis mundi partibus divulgatum, quod in hospitali S. Antonii Viennensis diocesis jaceat magna multitudo languencium, cecorum, claudorum, aridorum, et aliorum variis morborum generibus laborancium, expectancium graciam de supernis, quorum corpora et membra sunt de diversis infirmitatibus graviter deformata, ad quorum vite sustentacionem prope dicti hospitalis non suppetunt facultates, nisi devocio Christi fidelium ad illud per elemosinarum largicionem manus porrexerit adjutrices.

Caritatem vestram attenciùs requirimus in Domino, et hortamur, vobisque in remissionem vestrorum peccaminum firmiter injungendo mandamus, quatenus cum procuratores seu veri nuncii

[1] This pension was reserved when bp. Pontissara annexed the church to St. Elizabeth's College.

[2] The Order of St. Anthony was instituted A.D. 1095 for the treatment of persons afflicted with the disorder known as St. Anthony's fire, and followed the rule of St. Austin. The hospital of the order at Vienne seems to have become a general hospital. The order had a grant in 33 Hen. III of the church of All Saints', Hereford, and the chapel of St. Martin there ; also St. Anthony's hospital in London, on the north side of Threadneedle Street, erected on a site given by King Henry III where a synagogue of the Jews formerly stood, in which six monks, two priests, a schoolmaster, and twelve poor brethren were maintained. One of the articles against Michael de la Pole, when impeached in 1386, was that he converted to his own use a collection made for the benefit of St. Anthony's Hospital.—*Eulogium Historiarum*, iii, 360.

fratrum hospitalis prefati ad vos, ecclesias, seu loca vestra declinaverint, devotè Christi fidelium elemosinas petituri, ipsos ad negocia et inopias eiusdem hospitalis, fratrum et infirmorum ipsius, subdito vobis plebi semel saltem in anno diligenciùs exponenda benigniter admittatis, et in hiis ipsis vos coöperatores sedulos exhibere curetis, et hospitali predicto, ac ipsius fratribus et infirmis a plebe vobis subditâ de bonis sibi a Deo collatis grata erogari caritatis subsidia procuretis.

Et quicquid fidelium devocio eis ad opus predictum piè duxerit erogandum, legandum, vel aliter assignandum, in quibuscunque corporibus fuerit sive rebus, eisdem procuratoribus sive nunciis faciatis absque diminucione integraliter liberari, proviso tamen quod negociis fabrice ecclesie Wyntoniensis per ipsius procuratores et nuncios prosequendis occasione dicte nostre gracie nullatenus derogetur; presentibus per unum annum post datam presencium tantummodo valituris.—Farnham, 14 March, 1369–70.

Commission granted to official or vicar of Farnham, or registrar of Consistory Court, to absolve Robert Waryn of Farnham, a poor bond-tenant (*pauperem nativum nostrum*), under sentence of excommunication for contumacy.—Esher, 24 March, 1369–70.

Absolution by the bishop of Robert Carpenter, of Portsea, under sentence of excommunication for contumacy.—*Ib.*, 5 April, 1370.

[33a.] License for two years non-residence granted to the rector of St. Martin without Westgate, Winchester, m. Thomas de Aylesbury, to study in the university of Oxford.—Southwark, 18 April.

Letter directed to prior of Winchester, ordering prayers to be said for peace:—

Dum Moyses legislator Deum suppliciter exorabat, populus Israeliticus suos adversarios devincebat; et cum ab oracione desisteret, idem populus vincebatur. Quin oracio justorum assidua et corde puro continuata est efficax suffragium veraciter allatura.[1] Hec nos nuper recensentes, pro pace et tranquillitate

[1] *James* v, 16.

ecclesie, regis, et regni Anglie processiones solempnes fieri, missas celebrari, et alia oracionum devota suffragia dici, vobis et aliis subditis nostris dudum nostris literis duximus injungendum,[1] et quamvis instet gravis necessitas, cum huiusmodi devocionibus Deum suppliciter exorandum ; tamen ut relacione veridicâ iam percepimus huiusmodi processiones et misse quasi ubilibet in nostrâ diocesi, quod dolentes referimus, sub silencio dormiunt et pigrescunt.

Vestram igitur caritatem requirimus in Domino et hortamur, vobis nichilominus injungentes, quatenus omnibus presertim quartis et sextis feriis in ecclesiâ nostrâ predictâ processiones solempnes fieri, missas celebrari, et alia devota oracionum suffragia dici pro tranquillitate et pace ecclesie regni et regis predictorum per conventum vestrum amodo faciatis, ut Deus pacis et Pater misericordiarum huiusmodi regni pacem vulneratam sanet, restituat, et confirmet, et hostium nostrorum fortitudinem conterat et repellat ; et ab hâc oracione nullatenus desistatis, nec desisti quomodolibet permittatis, quousque aliud vobis mandaverimus per nostras literas speciales.—*Ib.*, 8 Feb., 1369–70.

[33b.] Submission of John le Eyr, a tenant of the bishop's manor at East Meon[2]:—

Decimo nono die mensis Aprilis, anno domini millesimo CCC^mo^ LXX^mo^, in manerio reverendi patris, etc., apud Suthwerke, coram ipso patre, Johannes le Eyr, de Meones, tradidit istam cedulam dicto patri, et recognovit palam et publicè, ut asseruit, omnia et singula in eâ contenta de suâ spontaneâ et liberâ voluntate procedere, et se ipsa velle observare et tenere instanter promisit, et rogavit predictum patrem, quod ipsum Johannem ad graciam suam predictam admitteret in formâ inferiùs adnotatâ :—

A tres reverent seignour et piere en Dieu, sieur William de Wykeham, par la grace de Dieu evesqe de Wyncestre : Johan le Eyr de Meones sey mette outrement en la grace et ordinance de vous et a votre jugement de meyne, solonc le portour de voz pipes et voz registres par votre leal conseil examinez, fesant et rendant a vous les rentes et les services diewes et acoustumes

[1] p. 89.

[2] Eyr seems to have incurred a forfeiture by refusal to render the services due to the bishop as his feudal lord.

as terres et tenementz qil tient de vous, noble seignour, solonc les usages de votre manoir de Meones ; suppliant a vous, tres-gracious sieur, par Dieu et en oeuvre de charite de lui suffrir daler et servir ces seignorages en manere quil ad fait en temps passe ; qar saunz ceo qil ne sert il nad de quey vivre, ne sa femme ne ses enfans susteiner ; et pur tiel grace avoir et pur le trespas et la mesprise, que mesme Johan vous ad fait, offre a vous, tres noble sieur, xx^li^ sor la bone mercy de vous, a paier as jours que lui seront assignez.

Acta sunt hec, etc.—*Ib.*, 9 April.

[34b.] Mandate directed to abbot of Hyde to collect the triennial tenth in archdeaconry of Winchester[1] :—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis abbati et conventui monasterii de Hydâ, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Breve regium recepimus tenorem continens subsequentem :—*Edwardus*, etc. De vestris igitur fidelitate et prudenciâ plenam in Domino gerentes fiduciam, ad colligendum, exigendum, et levandum denarios decime triennalis predicte a quibuscunque viris et personis aliis ecclesiasticis civitatis et archidiaconatûs Wyntoniensis, juxta formam dicti brevis et eius exigenciam et effectum, vos tenore presencium deputamus et eciam assignamus, vobis in virtute obediencie firmiter injungentes, quatenus in execucione dicti brevis et omnium contentorum in ipso talem et tam prudentem ac solicitam diligenciam efficaciter adhibere curetis, ut de denariis decime triennalis in terminis ad hoc assignatis, unà cum peticionibus decime huiusmodi, vos et vestrûm predictum monasterium contingentibus, eidem domino regi sub vestro possitis periculo debitè, ut convenit, respondere.

Ad que omnia et singula exequenda vobis tenore presencium vices nostras committimus, cum cuiuslibet cohercionis et execucionis canonice potestate.

Et quid feceritis in premissis nos singulis annis, durante triennio prelibato, semel saltem in quolibet annorum predictorum, reddatis dilucidè cerciores literis vestris patentibus, habentibus hunc tenorem.—*Ib.*, 16 May.

[1] Hoc anno (May, 1370), Rex tenuit parliamentum apud Westmonasterium, in quo regi conceduntur decime in tribus annis sequentibus persolvende ; et a laicis conceditur quinta decima pari modo.—*Wals.* i, 309.

A similar mandate was directed to the abbot of Waverley for Surrey. Return of names of collectors.—*Ib.*, 24 May, 1370.

Official commissioned to correct a delinquent monk of West Sherborne :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio officiali nostro s. g. et b. Accepimus ex parte dilecti filii prioris ecclesie conventualis de Shirborne, ordinis S. Augustini, nostre diocesis, referentis, quod f. Willelmus le Valeys, commonachus et confrater suus, sibi cervicem inobediencie tipo superbie est et fuit erigere assuetus, verba contumeliosa contra ipsum priorem et ceteros confratres suos pluries pertinaciter proferendo, et ipsos priorem et fratres variis injuriis, opprobriis, et scandalis, religionis honestatem evagantibus, impetuosis conatibus lacessivit, et impetere non desistit, que in orto sacre religionis nequimus nec debemus aliqualiter tollerare.

Vobis igitur committimus et mandamus, quatenus ad ipsum prioratum personaliter accedentes, auditis partibus supradictis, omnes rebelliones, contumacias, et inobediencias dicti f. Willelmi, et aliorum, si quos ibidem inveneritis contra dicte religionis regulam et observancias delinquentes, juxta statuta canonica et tramites dicti ordinis racionabiles et approbatas, taliter corrigatis, castigetis, et eciam emendetis, quod regula et observancie dicti ordinis sine scandalo injurioso aut insolenciâ dicti f. Willelmi et aliorum quorumcunque ad beneplacitum Altissimi inibi de ceterò recte valeant absque offendiculis omnibus gubernari, ne clamor de premissis ad aures nostras ob correccionis negligenciam preveniat iteratò.

Et si forsan ad premissa exequenda nequiveritis personaliter interesse, alium vel alios viros idoneos, scientes, fideles, et Deum timentes, ad premissa omnia exequenda, complenda, et expedienda, in quibus plenè confiditis, pro quorum factis respondere volueritis, auctoritate nostrâ loco vestro, dum impediti fueritis, deputetis.

Ad que omnia exercenda, expedienda, et fine debito terminanda vobis tenore presencium vices nostras committimus, cum cuiuslibet cohercionis et execucionis canonice potestate, donec eas ad nos duxerimus revocandas.—*Ib.*, 26 May.

[35a.] Mandate for abbot of Hyde to speed the collection

of the first instalment of the tenth, due at Midsummer, 1370, so that it might be lodged in the exchequer by the end of the quarter:—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis abbatibus, etc., s. g. et b. Literas domini nostri regis sub privato sigillo suo recepimus, continentes, qualiter mandavit et nos per suum breve oneravit ad assignandum collectores decime triennalis sibi in nostrâ diocesi per clerum concesse, et ad certificandum de nominibus collectorum huiusmodi, et de terminis solucionis eiusdem thesaurarium et barones de scaccario dicti domini regis citra octabas sancte Trinitatis proximò jam venture; et quod faciamus debitam execucionem brevis predicti juxta tenorem et effectum eiusdem; et vult et firmiter nos oneravit, quod dictam decimam faciamus levari ad opus dicti domini regis infra nostram diocesim cum omni celeritate quâ comodè fieri poterit quovis modo.

Ita quod denarii inde levandi et solvendi in dictâ nostrâ diocesi pro termino nativitatis S. Johannis Baptiste proximo leventur adeo tempestivè, quod possint integrè liberari ad opus dicti domini regis thesaurario et camerariis scaccarii eiusdem domini regis in receptâ suâ apud Westmonasterium ad ultimum in termino S. Johannis predicti sine ullo defectu, pro expedicione arduorum negociorum tangencium honorem eiusdem, statum et salvacionem regni sui; et quod non fiat solucio aliqua de denariis dicte decime alicui persone vigore alicuius alterius mandati, tallie, vel assignacionis cuiuscunque facte super collectoribus decime supradicte pro nullâ personâ cuiuscunque statûs aut condicionis exstiterit ullo modo.

Vobis igitur in virtute obediencie firmiter injungimus, committimus, et mandamus, quatenus omnia et singula in dictis literis comprehensa in formâ per easdem nobis demandatâ in omnibus capitulis earundem literarum firmiter observetis, nec ab eis in aliquo devietis.

Et faciatis dictam decimam in termino supradicto fideliter dictis thesaurario et camerariis in receptâ domini regis apud Westm. persolvi et integrè liberari, et ulteriùs tam literas nostras primas quam has literas privatas in omnibus execucioni debite demandari faciatis juxta omnem vim, formam, et effectum earundem absque omni negligenciâ seu torpore, sicut in eventu pro nobis et vobis super hiis volueritis respondere.

Et nos de recepcione priorum et harum literarum nostrarum inde vobis directarum, et quid super hiis duxeritis faciendum, nos citra festum sancte Trinitatis proximò jam venturum certificetis literis vestris patentibus, harum et priorum literarum nostrarum seriem habentibus et tenorem.—*Ib.*, 26 May.

[37 a.] Mandate for prior of Merton and archdeacon of Surrey to speed the collection of the same instalment from persons named on a scroll accompanying the mandate; and to report by St. Lawrence (10 Aug.).—Downton, 26 July.

[35 b.] Letter transmitting to official of archdeacon of Surrey a writ of consultation granted in a cause of divorce promoted by Richard Hobbeson, of Claypole, against Joan Kymble.[1]—Southwark, 29 May.

Commission for purgation of John Bentele, who was indicted on the same charges as Wardecorps (p. 92), and claiming benefit of clergy, was committed to the custody of the ordinary. The sequestrator is instructed to make the usual proclamation for his accusers, and the prior of Winchester Cathedral, the abbot of Hyde, and m. John de Wormenhale, the official, are commissioned to take measures for his purgation.—*Ib.*, 10 June.

[36 a.] Similar proceedings in the case of Thomas Bray, indicted on same charges.

Commission for purgation of John Boukere, who was indicted for that on Monday, 20 January, being the feast of SS. Fabian and Sebastian, 38 Ed. III, he feloniously stole from the dwelling house of John atte Garston, in the hundred of Bottynghulle (Buttinghill, Sussex), a set of amber beads (*unum par de bedes de aumbre*), value sixpence, ten silver pennies, three pairs of sheets, value 15*s.*, eighteen ells of linen, value 15*s.*, and other goods and chattels, value 12s.; and from the house of Sarah le Sheltene, 13*s.* 4*d.* in coin (*in denariis numeratis*), a set of beads, value 10*d.*, a pair of sheets, value 3*s.*, and five ells of linen (*panni de canevace*), value 2*s.*

[1] Consultation was the writ whereby prohibitions were, on deliberation or consultation, discharged. By the Statute of Consultations, 18 Ed. I, where ecclesiastical persons do surcease in a cause moved before them by the king's prohibition directed unto them, the Chancellor or Chief Justice, if he see that the case cannot be redressed by any writ out of Chancery, but that the spiritual court ought to determine the matter, may write unto such ecclesiastical judges that they may proceed therein notwithstanding the prohibition.

[39 a.] Abbot of Hyde and John de Wormenhale made a return that they caused proclamation for Boukere's accusers to be made, but no one came; whereupon Boukere was admitted to purgation on oath before the rectors of St. Swithun, St. Michael without Kingsgate, St. Mary, Tanner Street, St. Peter Cheesehill, St. Mary over Northgate, St. Anastasia, St. Alphege, and Morestead; dss. Richard Pychtone, John, chaplain of St. John's-on-the-Hill, and Geoffrey, chaplain of St. Faith's, Matthew Bone and Adam Lisle, deacons, and Thomas Bastard, Robert Selborne, John Poundere, Richard Berte, friars, and John ——, John Odyham, William Alfold, and Richard atte ——, clerks.—Winchester, iij Id. Jul., 1370.

[36 b.] Citation of Rose atte Watere, of Hornchurch, to appear at the convent church of St. Mary Overy, Southwark, on the Tuesday next after Ascension Day, and answer interrogatories in a matrimonial cause promoted by Matilda Jolyf, of Cobham, against John atte Watere; it being alleged that Rose atte Watere is the wife of the respondent, and that he induced Matilda to go through the ceremony of marriage, and cohabit with him by representing that Rose atte Watere was dead.—Southwark, 18 May, 1370.

Mandate to abbess of St. Mary's abbey, Winchester, to readmit a nun who had gone astray:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecte filie abbatisse monasterii beate Marie Wyntoniensis . . . s. g. et b. Nuper tuis nobis literis intimâsti, quod soror Isabella Gervays, sanctimonialis monasterii prelibati, nuper a dictâ domo apostatando recedens, ad sue religionis monasterium est reversa, set cum adhuc religionis sue habitum non resumpsit, quamvis per tuam doctrinam et religiosorum ac clericorum secularium consilia et monita salutaria ad hoc pluries cum instanciâ sit inducta.

Et, cum ecclesia claudere nemini debeat gremium redeunti sub spe penitencie fructuose et ipsius conversionis Altissimo ex instinctu sancti Spiritûs offerendo, ad presens pro sano consilio tibi damus, quod dictam mulierem, ut dicitur, forsan gravidam cum partu vivificato in corpore, ob timorem maioris periculi evitandum, suaviter et blandè teneas et pertractes, et sibi vite necessaria honestè et racionabiliter subministres, salvam super

eam custodiam semper adhibendo, ne per fugam ipsius subitam et occultam, quod Deus avertat, *peior error novissimus sit priore;* et in accessu nostro proximo ad illas partes circa statum ipsius proponimus, per Dei graciam, de bono consilio, postquam partum enixa fuerit, salubriter providere, prout anime sue saluti et nostre cure pastorali magis videbimus expedire.

Ad sacre religionis observanciam assiduam et fidelem tribuat tibi Deus suam graciam et salutem. Et quid feceris, etc.—*Ib.*, 20 June, 1370.

[37a.] Passport for a trader named Alexander Iveshote, a tenant of the bishop :—

Universis sancte matris ecclesie filiis per regnum Anglie constitutis has literas nostras inspecturis Willelmus, etc., salutem in vero omnium Salvatore. Cum ecclesia nostra Wyntoniensis, vassalli et tenentes ipsius, cuiuscunque statûs et condicionis extiterint, variis libertatibus, immunitatibus, et exempcionibus, tam in personis quam in rebus ipsorum per bone memorie reges Anglie, qui erant pro tempore, sit dotata, et inter cetera, quod tenentes mense nostre episcopalis theoloneis, geldis, aut aliis exaccionibus seu consuetudinibus foraneis in civitatibus, burgis, villis, mercatis, aut locis aliis ubicunque per regnum Anglie transitum fecerint, sint liberi penitus et immunes ; predecessores quoque et processores nostri, episcopi Wyntonienses qui erant pro tempore, huiusmodi libertatibus, immunitatibus, et exempcionibus usi sunt, palam et publicè, eciam a tempore et per tempus, cuius contrarii memoriâ hominum non existit ; et nos nostro tempore usi sumus pacificè et quietè :—

Quidam tamen libertates nostras, exempciones, et immunitates predictas infringere nimis voluntariè cupientes, Alexandrum de Iveshote, qui de nobis et dictâ ecclesiâ nostrâ, et de nullo alio, immediatè tenet in capite sua omnia tenementa et terras, conantur variis exaccionibus theoloneorum et aliarum consuetudinum in civitatibus, burgis, villis, locis et mercatis dicti regni indies indebitè pregravare, contra libertates nostras predictas.

Vestram igitur caritatem instanter requirimus et rogamus, quatenus ob reverenciam Dei et sancte matris ecclesie memorate prefatum Alexandrum, cum per vos et loca vestra transitum fecerit cum rebus suis, tanquam tenentem ecclesie nostre merum

et immediatum, absque exaccione theolonei et aliarum consuetudinum locorum predictorum oneribus juxta libertates et immunitates predictas permittatis liberè pertransire, nullam eâdem occasione premissâ molestiam inferentes, ut exinde apud Altissimum possitis meritò consequi graciam ampliorem.—Farnham, 15 July, 1370.

Prayers ordered for the Prince of Wales and his issue :—

Willelmus, etc., priori et capitulo ecclesie nostre Wyntoniensis, s. g. et b. Altissimus qui pro peccatis nostris justè irascitur, per sacrificium cordis contriti et humiliati cum devotis oracionum gemitibus suam commutat in misericordiam voluntatem, sacro eloquio id testante, *In quâcunque horâ peccator ingemuerit, omnium iniquitatum eius minimè recordabor*, ac, *Sine intermissione mundo corde et cum instanciâ est orandum, ut Summus auctor pacis pacem in mundo dignetur misericorditer ponere et firmare.*

Cumque excellentissimus in Christo princeps et dominus noster dominus Edvardus, rex Anglie illustris, nobis per suas literas fecerit explicari, nos devoto spiritu exorando, quod diligenter consideratis et attentis gravibus periculis imminentibus regno, clero, et populo Anglicano, ex eo presertim, quod adversarii nostri regni Francie et Henricus, regem Hispanie se affirmans,[1] per se et omnes adherentes eis alligatos et confederatos eisdem conjecturant indies continuè, et conantur omnibus viis et modis ipsis possibilibus, quos ymaginare valent, sibi et regno suo Anglie, ac suo navigio et subditis omnibus, tam per terras quam per mare, depopulaciones hominum et rerum dispendia ingerere, et deinceps continuè cumulare, quod Deus per suam misericordiam auferat et avertat, et suggerit ulteriùs, sicut veritas attestatur, quod nobiles principes dictus princeps Wallie et dux Lancastrie, nati sui, cum maximâ copiâ aliorum nobilium militum scutiferorum et fidelium suorum, tam pro defensione dicti regni quam pro recuperacione juris regii, quidam eorum in partibus transmarinis, et quidam eorum super suâ transfretacione militare noscuntur,[2] statu ecclesie, regis, et regni sui prefati,

[1] Henry, Count of Transtamare, the natural brother of Peter the Cruel, whom he had driven from the throne of Castile with the assistance of the French. In 1367, the Black Prince defeated Henry at Najara, and restored Peter, whose daughter and coheiress, Constance, he married in 1372.

[2] About midsummer, 1370, the king sent a large force to France under Robert Knollis, which effected a landing, but did not assume the offensive, and was not attacked by the

filiorum suorum, et omnium subditorum suorum fidelium penès omnes subditos nostros, clericos, et laicos, regulares et seculares, in suis suffragiis, oracionibus, et caritatis operibus cum speciali collectâ in singulis missis nostris et subditorum nostrorum celebrandis devote dicendâ recommendari debitè faciamus, ac pro salvacione pacis, et tranquillitate sancte ecclesie, et regni predicti, devotissimè exorari, et missas in singulis ecclesiis nobis subditis, processiones solempnes fieri, et missas speciales ex hâc causâ veneris diebus singulis ebdomadis publicè celebrari.

Nos igitur, devotum domini nostri regis propositum huiusmodi sinceris cordis affectibus, prout convenit et expedit, ac gravis necessitas iam perurget, tenerrimè amplectentes, et illud considerantes totis nisibus expedicione celeri et efficaci per omnia demandare, quamvis aliàs super hoc vestram excitaverimus caritatem ; quod tamen fieri per aliqua tempora sub torpore periculoso, ut accepimus, est omissum ; vestram devocionem sinceram iteratò ex cordis intimis firmiter requirimus et rogamus, vobis nichilominus districtè precipiendo mandantes, quatenus prefatis periculis omnibus taliter imminentibus indebitè racionis libramine ponderatis, processiones solempnes singulis ebdomadis quartâ et sextâ feriis in ecclesiâ vestrâ Wyntoniensi fieri, et missas speciales cum collectâ presentibus interclusâ pro salubri statu ecclesie et regni, regis et filiorum suorum, et omnium aliorum predictorum, celebretis et celebrari debitè faciatis, et alia caritatis et devocionis opera exerceri, ut Deus et Dominus noster ecclesiam et regnum, regem, filios ipsius, et omnes alios supradictos, in prosperitate dirigat, et conservet pacem ecclesie et regno Anglie, regi, principibus suis, et aliis suis fidelibus memoratis pro suâ pietate restituat, tribuat, corroboret, et confirmet.

Et consimiles processiones fieri in singulis ecclesiis conventualibus, collegiatis, parochialibus, regularibus et secularibus, nostre diocesis, ac missas mandavimus et injunximus in formâ predictâ solempniter celebrari.

Et ut ad premissa, etc. (grant of 40 days indulgence).—Downton, 13 August, 1370.

French. Towards winter, and perhaps in consequence of this inaction, dissensions arose amongst the officers, most of whom were for wintering in France, and this course was decided on. Knollis, whose voice had been for returning, thereupon quitted the expedition and retired to his castle in England. The army then broke up into sections in search of winter quarters, and being thus divided, was attacked by the French under Bertrand Cleykin and routed.—Walsingham, p. 310; *Chronicle of Monk of St. Albans*, p. 65.

[37b.] Prior of Christchurch Twynham enjoined to compel f. William de Boys to accept the office of subprior—quatenus eundem fratrem Willelmum dictum officium suscipere et administrare auctoritate nostrâ canonicè compellatis, nisi causam racionabilem et legitimam coram vobis proposuerit et probaverit, quare ad illud officium gerendum non debeat racionabiliter coartari.

Et quid inde feceritis, etc.—*Ib.*, 15 August, 1370.

[38a.] Abbess of Romsey empowered to appoint one or two chaplains (uno vel duobus capellanis idoneis, vite mundiciâ et consciencie puritate predictis) to confess herself and the sisters.—Merdon, 17 August.

Grant of a major portion in Magdalen Hospital, Winchester, to Adam Goudrich :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio, thesaurario nostro de Wolveseye, s. g. et b. Considerantes senectutem, debilitatem, et inopiam dilecti filii Ade Goudrich, unde vivere valeat non habentis, et victum suis manibus querere non valentis, unam de maioribus porcionibus in hospitali nostro beate Marie Magdalene juxta Wyntoniam, nostrarum collacionis et diocesis, in relevamen vite dicti pauperis, sibi caritatis et elemosine intuitu duximus conferendum :

Tibi mandantes, quatenus eundem Adam, pauperem, ad dictam porcionem in dicto hospitali admitti facias, et sibi de huiusmodi porcione maiori juxta morem preteriti temporis ministrari.—Waltham, 21 August.

Levy (arraiacio) of clergy of town of Southampton ordered :—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis precentori ecclesie beate Marie Suthamptone et decano Suthamptone, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Veraciter intelligi nobis datur, et est per regnum Anglie notissimè divulgatum, quod adversarii domini nostri regis cum multitudine hominum armatorum et classium sunt parati invadere, ingredi, et depopulare, tam per terram quam per mare, fines huius regni, et presertim comitatum Suthamptone, et in quibusdam locis regni incendia posuerunt, et applicare ad dictum regnum in locis variis diebus et noctibus indies machinantur, et ad hoc totis calliditatibus se disponunt, nisi Deo favente, in eius nomine per manus hominum eorum aggressionibus viriliter resistatur.

Et quia interest ecclesie ad ipsius defensionem manum apponere adjutricem, vobis committimus et mandamus, in virtute obediencie firmiter injungentes, quatenus cum omni celeritate oportunâ omnes et singulos viros ecclesiasticos ville Suthamptone coram vobis convocetis, et faciatis eos, et quemlibet eorum, juxta exigenciam statûs sui arraiari et se armatos offerre, paratos unà cum aliis fidelibus domini nostri regis insultus et aggressiones hostium regis et regni predictorum quandocunque per vos fuerint premuniti, in manu potenti viriliter propulsare.

Et talem diligenciam adhibere curetis in hâc parte, et omnes de clero ad hoc excitetis et inducatis, ne per vestram aut ipsorum negligenciam, segniciem, et incuriam per piratos et alios adversarios huius regni dampnum, incendium, vel aliud gravamen nocte vel die regno predicto aliqualiter inferatur.

Et tenore presencium firmiter injungimus et mandamus omnibus et singulis religiosis et ecclesiasticis de clero ville Suthamptone predicte, quod vobis, quociens et quando expedire videritis, assistant, consiliant, et auxilientur viis et modis omnibus oportunis.

Et quid feceritis, etc.—*Ib.*, 22 August., 1370.

[38 b.] Confirmation of a distraint for rent reserved under a lease granted by abbot and convent of Netley without the consent of the bishop as patron[1]:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio f. Willelmo de Eynesham, monacho monasterii de Lettele, ordinis Cisterciensis, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Cum dudum dilecti filii abbas et conventus monasterii et ordinis predictorum, quod de nostro patronatu existit, manerium suum de Northelye,[2] cum suis juribus et pertinenciis Johanni filio Laurencii Herdewyk ad tempus non modicum ad firmam concesserint et dimiserint pro certâ pecunie summâ annuatim certis terminis dictis abbati et conventui persolvendâ, nostris super hoc consensu vel licenciâ nullatenus requisitis nec obtentis, adjecto in dimissione firme predicte, quod si predictus redditus fuerit a retro per quadraginta dies post aliquem terminum predictum, tunc bene licebit predictis abbati et conventui et eorum successoribus dictum manerium reintrare et omnia bona et catalla

[1] The lease was bad without such consent; but *omnis ratihibicio retrotrahitur, et mandato priori equiparatur.*

[2] North Leigh, Oxon.

ibidem inventa seisire et retinere imperpetuum, absque contradiccione vel calumpniâ predicti Johannis, heredum, executorum, vel assignatorum suorum aliquo facto non obstante, prout in indenturâ inter dictas partes super hiis confectâ pleniùs continetur;

Tamen ad aures nostras iam pervenit, quod dictus redditus per quadraginta dies et amplius in duobus terminis solucionis ipsius fuit et est a retro, dictis abbati et conventui nullatenus persolutus, tu quoque ex causâ non solucionis dicti redditûs post terminos prelibatos prefatum manerium de Northelye nomine dictorum abbatis et conventûs reintrâsti et omnia bona et catalla ibi inventa seysivisti et detines sic seysita, juxta formam convencionis predicte. Tibi igitur jure patronatûs nostri predicti firmiter injungimus et mandamus, quatenus dictum manerium et cetera bona sic per te seisita fideliter et integrè custodias et conserves, illa nulli hominum liberaturus sine nostro consensu super hoc tradito speciali.—*Ib.*, 25 Aug., 1370.

Purgation of Thomas Fitzwaryn, who was indicted on the charge of feloniously killing John, son of Martin Bakere, within the liberty of Southampton, near the graveyard of St. Mary's there, with a knife called a "prage," six fingers in length; and claiming the benefit of clergy, was delivered to the ordinary. Commission to m. John Ware, sequestrator for the archdeaconry of Winchester, to hold the inquiry, and make the necessary proclamations with a view to Fitzwaryn's purgation.—*Ib.*, 31 Aug.

[38*a.] License granted to Brantingham, bp. of Exeter,—ut tam sacros quam minores ordines in nostrâ diocesi hâc instanti die Sabbati quatuor temporum proximâ post festum Exaltacionis Sancte Crucis possitis licitè celebrare, et eos conferre quibuscunque personis idoneis, illis qui nobis jure diocesani sunt subjecti dumtaxat exceptis et nobis specialiter reservatis, paternitati vestre reverende liberam tenore presencium concedimus facultatem.—Marwell, 9 Sept.

Recommendation of Richard Wylly for admission to St. Cross Hospital:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio magistro domûs sive hospitalis nostri Sancte Crucis, juxta Wyntoniam, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Cum locus unius tresdecim fratrum in dictâ domo sive hospitali

ex elemosinis fundatorum ipsius ordinatorum vacare noscatur notoriè in presenti, ac pauper et inops Ricardus Wylly de Waltham alterâ tibiâ ex ictu cuiusdam equi indomiti mutilatus, non habens unde vite sue necessarie possit percipere, nec ullâ arte manuum suarum illa valet adquirere, nisi hostiatim victum mendicare cogatur :—

Vobis mandamus, quatenus eundem pauperem Ricardum, debilem et impotentem, in locum tercii decimi fratris . . . . . admittatis, et ei, velut uni alii ex fratribus supradictis, faciatis de bonis dicte domûs juxta morem preteriti temporis vite necessaria ministrari.—Waltham, 10 Sept., 1370.

[38*b.] Instructions to official and sequestrator for archdeaconry of Winchester to hear a cause promoted by Richard Coleshulle, rector or precentor of St. Mary's, Southampton, against the rectors and curates of other churches in the town, who refuse to do fealty to the precentor of St. Mary's in token of his precedence, and withhold his portion of the burial fees for persons dying in their parishes, contrary to the custom.—Highclere, 23 Sept., 1370.

Commission of inquiry into the state of the churches of Winchester :—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis m. m. Johanni de Wormenhale, officiali nostro, et Johanni de Kelleseye, canonico ecclesie Lincolniensis, s. g. et b. Nostrum, prohdolor! frequenter pulsavit auditum, quod ex epidemiâ dudum contingente, et aliis hominum pestilenciis nutu divino de supernis immissis, quamplures ecclesiarum parochialium civitatis Wyntoniensis et suburbii eiusdem parochiani modernis temporibus de medio sunt sublati, adeo quod in multis ecclesiis predictis pauci, et in quibusdam earum nulli, superfuerint habitatores vel incole parochiani, et per carenciam parochianorum rectores earum nequeunt de ipsorum proventibus absque penuriâ sustentari, ecclesiarum edificia deciderunt, et ipse ecclesie minantur ruinam :—

Nos igitur, cupientes ad honorem Dei et Ipsius cultûs augmentum ac aliis certis causis licitis et honestis de prefatis ecclesiis et earum singularum valoribus annuis jam currentibus, et de parochianis et patronatibus earum effici cerciores, vobis committimus et mandamus, quatenus ad singulas ecclesias

supradictas personaliter accedentes, de ipsis ecclesiis et valore annuo cuiuslibet earundem ac de numero et condicionibus personarum in dictarum singularum ecclesiarum parochiis lares fovencium, et quales rectores seu capellani in eis ministrant, et an de fructibus earum congruè sustentari valeant jure, et qui sunt veri ipsarum ecclesiarum patroni, et super aliis circumstanciis universis dictum negocium concernentibus, per viros fide dignos et juratos de quâlibet parochiâ parochiarum predictarum, ubi reperiri poterunt, assumptos et diligenter examinatos, veritatem plenam et meram solicitè inquiratis.

Et quid per dictam inquisicionem inveneritis, unà cum valoribus et nominibus huiusmodi ecclesiarum omnium, et eorum, per quos hec inquisicio capta fuerit, nos dicto expedito negocio clarè et plenariè certificetis literis vestris patentibus et clausis, habentibus hunc tenorem.—Highclere, 24 Sept., 1370.

[39 b.] License of non-residence for one year granted to Laurence, rector of St. Swithun's, Winchester (*ecclesie de Kyngate*), to be in attendance (*in obsequiis comorando*) on William de Somerforde, rector of Speen.—Waltham, 12 Sept., 1370.

[40 a, 40 b, 41 a.] These pages are blank.

[41 b.] Commission for purgation of Nicholas Shorte, of Stoke, who had been indicted for that on the Saturday next before St. Peter's Chair (18 Jan.), 41 Ed. II, he stole twenty-nine wethers at Kingsclere, value 100*s*., the property of John Atte wych, and claiming benefit of clergy, was discharged into the custody of the bishop.—Southwark, 28 Oct., 1370.

[42 b.] Presentation of m. Walter de Middelonde, rector of Iwerne Courtnay, to church of Rimpton, on exchange with Roger More.[1]—*Ib.*, 24 Oct.

Indulgence for such as should relieve two poor anchorites inhabiting the churchyard of St. Laurence Jewry :—

Universis sancte matris ecclesie filiis presentes literas inspecturis Willelmus, etc. Inter opera caritatis non minimum reputamus debilibus, pauperibus, egenis, et laborare non valentibus per Christi fidelium elemosinas misericorditer subvenire, et

[1] Entered again on p. 55b.

montes fidelium ad huiusmodi pietatis exercicium per allectanda indulgenciarum munera propensiùs excitare.

Cumque dilecti nobis Ricardus le Coupe, de Swepestone, pr., et Galfridus Richard, laicus, socius ipsius, pauperes anachorite, in cimeterio ecclesie parochialis S. Laurencii in Judaismo, Londoniis, in domo, ut libencius Deo famulentur, sunt inclusi, unde vite percipere poterunt alimenta preter fidelium elemosinas non habentes, de Dei Omnipotentis misericordiâ, beatissime virginis Marie, beatorum apostolorum Petri et Pauli, necnon gloriosorum confessorum Birini, Swithuni, Ethelwoldi, et Hedde, ecclesie nostre patronorum, et omnium sanctorum meritis et precibus confidentes, omnibus parochianis nostris, et aliis, quorum diocesani hanc nostram indulgenciam ratam habuerint et acceptam, de peccatis suis verè penitentibus et confessis, qui ad sustentacionem vite pauperum anachoritarum predictorum aliqua de bonis a Deo sibi collatis contulerint, donaverint, legaverint, vel aliter assignaverint, conferri, donari, legari, vel assignari procuraverint, subsidia caritatis, necnon pro pace et tranquillitate ecclesie, regis, et regni Anglie, et pro animabus omnium fidelium defunctorum, oracionem Dominicam cum salutacione Virginis gloriose dixerint monte piâ, quadraginta dies de injunctâ sibi penitenciâ, Deo propicio, misericorditer relaxamus.—Southwark, 2 Nov., 1370.

[43a.] Monition for certain persons unknown who killed an ox belonging to the master and brethren of St. Thomas the Martyr's Hospital, Southwark, at Badeley,[1] in the parish of Lambeth. The rector is enjoined to cause notice to be given in his own and neighbouring churches that unless compensation be made within twelve days, the offenders will be excommunicated.—*Ib.*, 4 Nov.

License granted to Brantingham, bp. of Exeter, to hold an ordination for candidates not of the diocese on the Saturday next after St. Lucy (13 December).—Esher, 8 Dec.

[43b.] Letter to inform abbot of Hyde that the king has been pleased to excuse the abbot and convent of Chertsey from payment of the triennial tenth.—*Ib.*, 22 Dec.

[1] Boddiley's or Bodley's, in Lambeth, a manor of which the exact situation was unknown to Manning and Bray.—*History of Surrey*, vol. iii, 50.

Prior and chapter of Winchester Cathedral and archdeacons of Winchester and Surrey cited in common form to attend convocation.—Southwark, 18 Jan., 1370–1.

[44a.] Letters[1] to archdeacons of Winchester and Surrey, enjoining them to collect arrears of the triennial tenth from persons who cannot produce acquittances, and to remit the amount collected to the Treasury by Palm Sunday.—*Ib.*, 24 Jan.

License of non-residence until Michaelmas granted to Thomas de Oclee, r. of Headley, Surrey.—*Ib.*, 25 Jan.

Letter from archdeacon of Winchester, acknowledging receipt of bishop's mandate, dated at Esher, 21 Dec., 1370, for prayers for peace.—Winchester, 30 Jan.

[45a.] License to John Mayheu, r. of Esher, to let the rectory for one year to William Masse, of St. Neot's, master of Sandon Hospital,—ut per unum annum a die date presencium continuè numerandum omnes fructus, redditus, et proventus dicte ecclesie tue qualitercunque obveniencium possis dilecto filio, Willelmo Masse de Sancto Neoto, magistro sive custodi hospitalis Beate Marie Magdalene de Sandone, dicte diocesis, ad firmam dimittere, licenciam tibi tenore presencium concedimus specialem.

Ita tamen, quod idem ecclesie tue ministres interim personaliter in divinis, et alia onera ordinaria et extraordinaria facias inibi debitè supportari.—Southwark, 10 Feb., 1370–1.

Administration of the goods of John Westbroke, an intestate, granted to Helen his widow and John Vyele.—Southwark, 15 Feb., 1370–1.

Monition of certain who illegally detain the goods of John Podenhale, late of London, timber dealer (boscarius). Notice to be published in the churches of Kingston, Esher, Ditton, and other churches on the Thames, as often as the executrix thinks necessary, to those who illegally detain the money and goods, that unless they account to Alice his widow and executrix within twelve days they will incur the greater excommunication. —Esher, 31 March, 1371.

[1] The letter to the archdeacon of Winchester is printed in *Monasticon, Winchester Cathedral Charters*, No. 16.

[45 b.] Monition of certain who carry away the materials from disused churches in Winchester :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio m. Johanni de Wormenhale, venerabili officiali nostro, s. g. et b. Ex quorundam fidedignorum relatibus ad nostram audienciam est deductum, quod nonnulli laici, quibus super ecclesiis et rebus ecclesiasticis nulla disponendi est attributa facultas, certas ecclesias parochiales civitatis Wyntoniensis et suburbii eiusdem expilârunt, spoliârunt, lapides quadratos et meremia de muris et tectis earundem emulserunt et abstulerunt, contra nostram voluntatem, evellere et abstrahere indies jam conantur, sacrilegii procul dubio ac maioris excommunicacionis summam a constitucione felicis recordacionis Ottoboni, quondam sedis apostolice in Angliâ legati, que incipit *Ad tutelam* [1] in hâc parte editâ latam dampnabiliter incurrentes ; que nequimus, sicuti non debemus, equanimiter tolerare.

Vobis igitur injungentes committimus et mandamus, quatenus omnes et singulos lapides seu meremia huiusmodi a dictis ecclesiis, sicut prefertur, evellentes, auferentes, et asportantes in dictam excommunicacionis maioris summam incidisse et crimen sacrilegii commisisse in singulis ecclesiis dicte civitatis parochianos habentibus [2] tamdiu faciatis publicè et solempniter nunciari, quousque lapides et cetera supradicta sic per eos ablata, abstracta, et asportata, ad ecclesias sic spoliatas et expilatas reportaverint integrè et restituerint cum effectu, et absolucionem a nobis a dictâ summâ meruerint obtinere; quorum absolucionem a singulis penitenciariis nostris adimimus, et persone nostre extra mortis articulum specialiter reservamus.

Moneatis insuper, seu faciatis moneri, sub penâ predictâ omnes et singulos subditos nostros, ne de ceterò lapides, meremia, vel aliqua alia bona de dictis ecclesiis desertis auferre, abstrahere, vel contrectare presumant; et si quos inveneritis contrarium facientes, eos per quascunque censuras ecclesiasticas auctoritate nostrâ canonicè compescatis ; inquirentes et nos clarè certificantes.—Southwark, 8 March, 1370–1.

[1] The first words of the Constitution of Othobon confirming privilege of sanctuary, the last clause of which is :—Ad hec, si quis de domibus, maneriis, grangiis, et aliis locis huiusmodi ad archiepiscopos vel alias personas ecclesiasticas, vel ad ipsas ecclesias pertinentibus accedens quicquam preter voluntatem aut permissionem dominorum, vel eorum, qui sunt huiusmodi rebus ad custodiendum deputati, consumere, aut auferre, vel contrectare presumpserit, ipso facto sit excommunicacione ligatus, a quâ, donec satisfecerit, absolucionis graciam minimè consequatur.

[2] See p. 121.

[46 a.] Award on appropriation of Bledlow to St. Stephen's, Westminster[1]:—

In Dei nomine, amen. Nos Willelmus, etc., cuius ordinacioni, disposicioni, arbitrio, et voluntati providus et discretus vir m. Rogerus Otrey, rector ecclesie parochialis de Bledlowe, Lincoln. dio., se et dictam ecclesiam suam in omnibus ipsum vel eandam ecclesiam ac venerabiles viros decanum et capitulum libere capelle regie Sancti Stephani Westmonasteriensis in hâc parte quomodolibet concernentibus simpliciter, purè, et absolutè submisit, attendentes, tenuem et exilem substanciam decani, canonicorum, et aliorum ministrorum capelle predicte, ad honorem Altissimi et augmentum cultûs divini, et ad uberiorem sustentacionem dictorum decani, canonicorum, et ministrorum ibidem Domino famulancium, de consensu, consilio, et deliberacione plenariâ venerabilis et discreti viri m. Thome Yung, officialis curie Cantuariensis, in hâc parte prehabitis, ordinamus, disponimus, arbitramur, et volumus, vigore submissionis predicte, quod prefatus m. Rogerus, rector dicte ecclesie de Bledlowe, in quâ dicti decanus et capitulum jus obtinent patronatûs, singulis annis in festis natalis Domini et nativitatis S. Johannis Baptiste, quousque dicta ecclesia de Bledlowe prefatis decano et capitulo et eorum successoribus appropriata fuerit et unita, quadraginta libras sterlingorum, et post appropriacionem huiusmodi, quamdiu idem m. Rogerus ecclesiam tenuerit, sexaginta libras sterlingorum, in dictis terminis per equales porciones prefatis decano et capitulo ac canonicis annuatim persolvere teneatur. Et ad maiorem huiusmodi securitatem volumus et ordinamus, quod prefatus m. Rogerus obliget se juxta leges ecclesie ad arbitrium nostrum et aliis viis et modis legitimis, quos iidem decanus et capitulum duxerint eligendum, ad solucionem summarum predictarum in formâ predictâ fideliter faciendum.

Et nichilominus ut omnia premissa maiori et securiori robore muniantur et fiant, volumus et ordinamus, quod dictus rector ac prefati decanus et capitulum accedant ad reverendum patrem episcopum Lincolniensem, loci illius ordinari, et impetrent ac habeant ab eodem cum consensu capituli ecclesie Lincolniensis[2] ratificacionem et confirmacionem ordinacionis nostre predicte, et omnium contentorum in eâdem.—*Ib.*, 18 April, 1371.

[1] Vol. i, p. 128 *n.*

[2] See vol. i, p. 129 *n.*

Archdeacons directed to summon abbots, priors, and clergy of their respective archdeaconries to convocation at St. Paul's Cathedral on Thursday next after St. George (23 April), pursuant to primate's mandate, dated at Oxford, 27 March, 1371.—*Ib.*, 30 March, 1371.

[47a.] Similar summons addressed to prior of Winchester Cathedral.—Same date.

Monition of certain persons unknown, who remove materials from the graveyard of Winchester Cathedral:—Deum non verentes, nec homines formidantes, lapides sectos et rudes, calcem, et cementum, ac fulcimenta novi operis ecclesie nostre predicte pro ipsius structurâ proficiendâ sumptuosè parata a dicto loco abstraxerunt.[1]—Esher, 7 April.

[47b.] Appeal for workmen and means of transport for stone from quarries in Isle of Wight to the Cathedral:—

Willelmus, etc., universis et singulis abbatibus, prioribus, abbatissis, et priorissis, tam alienigenis quam indigenis, ecclesiarum quoque rectoribus, vicariis, ac viris aliis ecclesiasticis quibuscunque per insulam Vectam, nostre diocesis, constitutis, eorumque firmariis et ballivis, ad quos presentes litere pervenerint, s. g. et b. Tempore nove creacionis nostre in episcopum Wyntoniensem repperimus plures et varios defectus notabiles et enormes in castris, maneriis, ecclesiis, et locis aliis ad mensam nostram episcopalem pertinentibus notoriè imminere, qui predecessorum nostrorum episcoporum Wyntoniensium temporibus contigerunt, reparacione necessariâ indigentes, quos tamen proponimus, Deo propicio, de nostris propriis substanciis reparare, et ob hoc lapicidinas ad fodiendos et excidendos lapides in opus reparacionis defectuum predictorum committendos nobis fecimus nostris propriis sumptibus in dictâ insulâ provideri, et ideo operariis, vehiculis, et eveccionibus,[2] carectis et cariagiis, ad deferendum lapides a lapicidinis predictis ad certa loca nostra in

[1] Moberly (pp. 101, 276) suggests that all this preparation of material, stone hewn and unhewn, lime, mortar, and scaffold poles, was for the beginning of the bishop's great work of transforming the nave of the cathedral into the Perpendicular style of architecture, which, though commenced in the year 1371, was not proceeded with until 1394, partly perhaps owing to causes with which we are not acquainted—the recalcitrancy of the prior and brethren of St. Swithun's, Moberly thinks—but chiefly because the bishop was engaged from 1380 to 1394 in building his colleges at Oxford and Winchester. As soon as the latter college was opened, he returned to his work of restoration at the Cathedral.

[2] Draught horses.

utilitatem ecclesie nostre Wyntoniensis committendos ad presens plurimùm indigemus.

Vestram igitur caritatem et devocionem attentè requirimus et rogamus, quatenus operarios et vehicula, carectas et cariagia congrua, juxta vires facultatum vestrarum, ad fodiendum, scindendum, cariandum, et transvehendum lapides huiusmodi ad opus predictum, juxta ordinacionem religiosi viri dilecti nostri domini abbatis monasterii de Quarrerâ, qui nobis super hoc suam adhibere diligenciam, et de adjutoribus dicti nostri negocii et eorum nobis voluntatibus et actibus cerciorare benivolè et gratanter promisit, cum per eum ex parte nostrâ fueritis requisiti, velitis concedere nostris sumptibus racionabilibus et expensis, et talem et tantam diligenciam super hoc apponere nostris precibus studere curetis, ne expedicio prospera prefati nostri negocii paciatur obstaclum vel defectum, set ut eò ampliùs pro nostro dando celerem et felicem sortiri possit effectum, ut propter preclaram vestrorum operum laudabilium gratitudinem exhibendam vobis teneamur specialiter in futuro rependere vices gratas, cum ad id optulerit se facultas. Valete in Filio Virginis gloriose. —Esher, 9 April, 1371.

[48a.] Robert le Eyr of Fylkyn (Filkins), Oxon., *capellanus*, was indicted for that on the Monday before SS. Fabian and Sebastian (20 Jan.), 27 Ed. III, he stole three coverlets, two sheets, etc., at Botley; and claiming the benefit of clergy, was discharged into the custody of the ordinary. Commission directed to prior of Winchester Cathedral, abbot of Hyde, and the official, in common form, to take measures for his purgation. —Esher, 11 April.

[48b.] Henry Middleton was indicted for that in company with others on the Friday before Ascension Day, 31 Ed. III, at Arundel, he feloniously stole 20*s.*, the monies of Robert Monk, from his servants, Walter Waterlake and John Hogeman; and claiming benefit of clergy, was discharged into the custody of the ordinary. Commission for his purgation in usual form.—Southwark, 17 April.

[49a.] Abbot of Waverley enjoined to enforce payment of arrears of first instalment of the triennial tenth by ecclesiastical censures.—Same date.

Acquittance by the bishop for twenty marks, the amount of one year's pension due at Easter, 1371, by archdeacon of Surrey. —Guildford, 7 May.

[49 b.] Commission to Brantingham, bishop of Exeter, to confer orders in the diocese on Saturday in Whitsun week.—Farnham, 19 May.

Commission to prior of Winchester Cathedral to institute William de Enderly, clerk, to Houghton. Rector of Wonston to induct.—*Ib.*, 22 May.

Letter to the king's majesty, accompanying return of churches and benefices in the diocese.[1]—*Ib.*, 23 May.

Commission to abbot of Hyde to levy a tenth[2] in the archdeaconry of Winchester.—Same date.

[50a.] The subsidy of £50,000.[3] Return of names of collectors, abbot of Hyde for archdeaconry of Winchester, and abbot of Waverley for archdeaconry of Surrey, dated at Farnham, 26 Sept., 1371, pursuant to following letters from Primate, dated at Oxford, 14 May :—

Willelmus, Dei graciâ Cantuariensis archiepiscopus, etc. Cum nos et vos, aliique confratres et suffraganei nostri et ecclesie nostre Cantuariensis, ac ceteri prelati, tam religiosi quam seculares, nostrarum civitatis et diocesis et provincie Cantuariensis,

[1] In view of the subsidy of £50,000 granted a few days later.

[2] Apparently the second instalment of the *decime triennales*, the first instalment of which was payable at Midsummer, 1370.

[3] Walsingham, i, 312, says :—" Celebrato Parliamento apud Westmonasterium in Quadragesimâ, rex Edwardus petiit a clero subsidium quinquaginta millium marcarum argenti, quod sub deliberacione in convocacione cleri factâ post Pascha fuit concessum tam a clero quam a populo laicali, ad quam quidem summam persolvendam sacerdotes secundum valorem pecunie, quam perceperunt per annum, taxati fuerunt, minuta eciam beneficia que nunquam prius erant taxata, ad complementum illius solucionis similiter taxabantur." It was made payable in two equal portions, the one at Michaelmas, 1371, the other at the Purification of 1371–2. It will be seen that the archbishop directed a tenth and half a tenth to be levied on all benefices, including the smaller ones not previously assessed, and on the incomes of the stipendiary clergy, in order to produce the first instalment of £25,000; but a tenth was thought sufficient to raise the second instalment. Great difficulty seems to have been experienced in collecting the instalments, especially from the holders of benefices not previously assessed and the stipendiary clergy ; and Walsingham (i, 314), referring to the capture of £20,000 marks, supposed to be part of this sum, by the Spanish fleet, says that the money did not profit the king, because it was taken from the church—pecunia vero ista, quia collecta fuerat de sanctâ ecclesiâ, fuit domino regi minimè fructuosa. Walsingham says the amount of this subsidy was 50,000 marks, not pounds ; but " marca et libra in Angliâ unum et idem sunt "—Du Cange, quoting the words, " ecclesiam xx marcarum vel librarum " from a charter of A.D. 1296, in Foedera, ii, 732.

ac clerus earundem, in ultimâ convocacione sive congregacione confratrum, prelatorum, et cleri predictorum in ecclesiâ S. Pauli Londoniensis ad instanciam et rogatum excellentissimi in Christo principis et domini nostri, domini Edwardi, Dei graciâ regis Anglie et Francie illustris, de mandato et auctoritate nostris factâ in subsidium ipsius domini nostri regis, et ob necessitatem eiusdem, ac regni Anglie, et eius tuicionem ac defensionem, totiusque ecclesie Anglicane, dicto domino regi summam quinquaginta millium librarum usualis monete de viris et personis, bonisque et beneficiis ecclesiasticis quibuscunque regni Anglie, tam Eboracensis quam nostre Cantuariensis provincie, sub certâ formâ inferiùs expressatâ levandam, quatenus ad eandem Cantuariensem provinciam proporcionaliter attinet, liberaliter concesserimus ad scaccarium domini regis in festis S. Michaelis et Purificacionis beate Marie equis porcionibus plenariè persolvendam ; dictusque dominus noster rex proinde considerans et perpendens, quod onus huiusmodi, quantò in personas plures dividitur, tantò faciliùs supportatur, juxta formam et effectum concessionis dicte summe eidem domino regi, ut prefertur, facte, voluit ac vult ac per suas literas regias patentes tam nobis quam vobis et ceteris nostris suffraganeis singillatim directas concessit, quod quicunque persone et viri ecclesiastici, tam exempti quam non exempti, alienigene et indigene, de beneficiis suis et possessionibus suis taxatis et non taxatis infra dictam provinciam constitutis, necnon presbyteri stipendiarii dicte provincie, de suis stipendiis proporcionaliter ad dictam summam conferant et adjuvent, quibuscunque privilegiis per ipsum dominum nostrum regem seu progenitores suos concessis, seu eò quod nonnulli de personis antedictis ad huiusmodi onera contribuere non solebant, non obstantibus quoquomodo.

Vobis igitur committimus et firmiter injungendo mandamus, quatenus singulis confratribus et suffraganeis nostris ac custodibus spiritualitatis civitatis ac diocesis Bangorensis iam vacantis et in manibus nostris pro tempore vacacionis huiusmodi existentis, literis vestris injungatis ac injungi faciatis, quod singuli eorundem confratrum in suis civitatibus et diocesibus, custodes verò predicti in civitate et diocesi Bangorensi, quoscunque viros et personas ecclesiasticas, tam exemptas quam non exemptas, privilegiatas et non privilegiatas, si et quatenus opus seu opor-

tunum fuerit, auctoritate regiâ in singulis suis civitatibus et diocesibus ad certos diem et locum competentes coram se vel suis in hâc parte commissariis celeriùs quo poterunt evocari, et de eorum beneficiis, bonis, et possessionibus ecclesiasticis, precipuè non taxatis, et de valore communi annuo singulorum eorundem, inquiri faciant diligenter; quodque singuli confratres et suffraganei nostri predicti in suis civitatibus et diocesibus, dicti verò custodes in civitate et diocesi Bangorensi, a viris et personis ecclesiasticis quibuscunque bona, possessiones, et beneficia ecclesiastica, tam taxata quam non taxata, in civitate diocesi et obtinentibus, et aliis personis ecclesiasticis, de quibus superiùs, et eciam in predictis literis regiis, fit mencio, medietatem dicte summe quinquaginta millium librarum eidem domino regi, ut premittitur, concesse, quatenus ad unumquemque ipsorum attinet sub formâ suprascriptâ, levandum, videlicet de singulis viris et personis ecclesiasticis quibuscunque superiùs expressatis bona et possessiones ac beneficia ecclesiastica non taxata obtinentibus, juxta taxam eorundem; de bonis vero, possessionibus, et beneficiis ecclesiasticis non taxatis, juxta estimacionem seu valorem ipsorum communem annuum, ordinariorum arbitrio, prout in cedulâ presentibus annexâ continetur, racionabiliter moderandum, decimam unam et alterius decime medietatem; de capellanis insuper stipendiariis porcionem aliquam congruam, eciam ordinarii arbitrio, et juxta dicte cedule tenorem, limitandum, prout ad singulos predictorum confratrum nostrorum pertinet, colligi faciant vel levari; et ad solucionem huius decime cum medietate alterius decime, ut prefertur, porcionemque capellanos stipendiarios huiusmodi in hâc parte concernentem, citra dictum festum S. Michaelis collectoribus in singulis civitatibus ac diocesibus predictis ad hoc deputatis sive deputandis nomine medietatis subsidii supradicti.

Et pro primo termino solucionis eiusdem realiter faciendo, subditos ipsarum civitatum et diocesium quoscunque, qui ad huiusmodi subsidium contribuere debeant seu teneantur, per bonorum et beneficiornm suorum huiusmodi sequestracionem et quascunque ecclesiasticas censuras, quas in rebelles ac contumaces ac non solventes in hâc parte singulis confratrum et suffraganeorum nostrorum ac custodibus predictis, committimus exercendum et eciam exequendum, canonicè compellant.

Quodque vos et ipsi confratres nostri ad summam huiusmodi, prout superiùs est expressum, pro ratâ porcione vos et eorum quemlibet contingente, contribuatis et contribuant citra festum S. Michaelis supradicti.

Vobis nichilominus injungentes, quatenus quoscunque viros et personas ecclesiasticas, tam exemptas quam non exemptas, privilegiatas et non privilegiatas, alienigenas et indigenas, et alias personas ecclesiasticas quascunque, de quibus in predictis literis, ut premittitur, fit mencio, vestrarum civitatum et diocesium, eciam si ad huiusmodi subsidium vel decimas dicto domino regi hactenus concessum vel concessas contribuere non solebant, propriâ, et, si opus fuerit, auctoritate regiâ, prout superiùs pleniùs continetur, ad certos diem et locum competentes coram vobis aut vestris commissariis in hâc parte cum celeritate debitâ evocari, et de eorum beneficiis, bonis, et possessionibus ecclesiasticis precipuè non taxatis et de valore communi annuo singulorum eorundem inquiri eciam faciatis.

Subditos eciam vestrarum civitatum et diocesium ad solucionem medietatis subsidii predicti, prout ad unumquemque ipsorum pertinet, modo et formâ predictis collectoribus in vestris civitatibus et diocesibus per vos deputatis seu deputandis, citra dictum festum S. Michaelis pro ratâ porcione unumquemque eorum in hâc parte contingente fideliter faciende, eciam per bonorum et beneficiorum suorum ecclesiasticorum sequestracionem, et per censuras ecclesiasticas huiusmodi, quas vobis fulminandas et exequendas consimiliter committimus, canonicè compellatis.

Vos eciam in vestris civitatibus et diocesibus et singuli confratrum nostre provincie antedicte in singulis suis civitatibus et diocesibus unum vel duos subsidii huiusmodi per modum, prout superiùs est expressum, collectorem seu collectores sufficientem et idoneum, seu sufficientes et idoneos, constituatis et constituant, quem seu quos duxeritis, et ipsi ad hoc duxerint eligendum.

Injungatis insuper singulis confratribus nostris, et vobis eciam injungimus, quatenus totam pecuniam, que in vestris et in suis civitatibus et diocesibus occasione dicti subsidii, seu eius nomine, per dictos collectores vel alios collecta vel recepta fuerit in hâc parte, in scaccario dicti domini regis juxta vim, formam, et effectum literarum predictarum regiarum citra dictum festum

S. Michaelis, vel in ipso festo, prout ad vos et unumquemque ipsorum attinet, persolvi faciatis, et faciant absque morâ; quodque vos et ipsi singuli suffraganei nostri dictas literas regias juxta vim et exigenciam earundem et contenta in articulis presentibus annexis, quatenus ad vos et singulos eorum pertinet, execucioni debite demandetis et demandent, vel faciatis aut faciant in omnibus demandari.

Et quid in premissis duxeritis faciendum, unà cum nominibus et cognominibus collectorum subsidii huius in vestris civitatibus et diocesibus per vos deputatorum, ac de omni summâ pecunie in eisdem vestris civitatibus et diocesibus, presertim a viris et personis ecclesiasticis, exemptis et privilegiatis, capellanisque stipendiariis, et precipuè de bonis et beneficiis ecclesiasticis non taxatis, de quibus subsidia seu decime huiusmodi exigi seu solvi minimè consueverant, ut prefertur, exacta, recepta, et levata, nos citra dictum festum S. Michaelis certificetis per literas vestras patentes et clausas, habentes hunc tenorem;

Injungentes insuper singulis confratribus et suffraganeis nostris prefatis, quod singuli eorum de omni eo, quod in premissis aut aliquo premissorum fecerint seu duxerint faciendum, ac de nominibus et cognominibus collectorum subsidii supradicti in singulis eorum civitatibus et diocesibus deputatorum, et de omni pecunie summâ occasione et nomine dicti subsidii, a quibuscunque personis ecclesiasticis de quibus superiùs fit mencio, et precipuè de bonis et beneficiis ecclesiasticis non taxatis in suis civitatibus et diocesibus levata, collecta, et recepta qualitercunque, nos citra festum supradictum reddant cerciores per suas literas huiusmodi patentes et clausas, harum seriem continentes.

[51 b.] Archdeacon of Surrey enjoined to furnish by Corpus Christi a return of all benefices, exempt and non-exempt, appropriated and not appropriated, annexed and not annexed, within his archdeaconry, pursuant to a privy seal dated 13 May.—Farnham, 25 May.

[52 a.] Letter to abbot of Waverley, with instructions how to collect the subsidy in Surrey:—

Vobis committimus et mandamus, quatenus omnes et singulos personas et viros ecclesiasticos archidiaconatûs Surreiensis tam nobis subditos quam exemptos, bona seu beneficia ecclesiastica

taxata et non taxata in dicto archidiaconatu obtinentes, tam alienigenas quam indigenas, necnon presbyteros stipendiarios archidiaconatûs predicti, ad certos diem et locum per vos statuendos coram vobis convocari faciatis, et ipsos omnes et singulos de dicti subsidii solucione juxta ordinacionem per prelatos et clerum dictarum provinciarum inde factam proporcionaliter onerari, et idem subsidium juxta appropriacionem illam, quatenus quemlibet de clero archidiaconatûs predicti concernit, ad opus domini nostri regis levetis, exigatis, et colligatis cum omni celeritate oportunâ, illudque sub tutâ custodiâ conservetis, dicto domino nostro regi in tempore persolvendum.

Inquiratis insuper diligenter et solicitè de nominibus et cognominibus omnium et singulorum exemptorum bona seu beneficia ecclesiastica quecunque in archidiaconatu predicto obtinencium, et ad quantum bona sua et beneficia taxantur; et si non sint taxata, de vero valore eorundem, et in quibus rebus consistunt, necnon de omnibus beneficiis non taxatis in archidiaconatu predicto, et eorum vero valore, ac de nominibus omnium et singulorum dictum subsidium solvere recusancium, seu illud solvi impediencium vel retardancium quovismodo; et ulteriùs per omnia exequamini, que in dicto brevi pleniùs sunt expressa.

Ad que omnia et singula expedienda et plenariè exequenda vos collectorem tenore presencium deputamus, et vobis super hiis omnibus committimus vices nostras cum cuiuslibet cohercionis et execucionis canonice potestate; mandantes et firmiter injungentes, quatenus omnem diligenciam oportunam et celerem cum circumspeccione et prudenciâ in execucione premissorum adhibere curetis, ut debitum et felicem sortiri possint effectum.

Et nos de nominibus dictorum exemptorum indigenarum et alienigenarum bona seu beneficia ecclesiastica qualiacunque in archidiaconatu predicto obtinencium, taxatorum et non taxatorum, et veris valoribus eòrundem, unà cum nominibus omnium et singulorum porciones suas ipsos de dicto subsidio contingentes solvere recusancium, ac toto processu vestro super hiis omnibus et singulis habendo, nos citra festum exaltacionis sancte Crucis proximè futurum clarè et plenariè certificetis literis vestris patentibus, habentibus hunc tenorem.—Farnham, 21 May.

Similar commission to abbot of Hyde for archdeaconry of Winchester.—Same date.

[52 b.] Instructions to abbot of Waverley:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio, etc. Breve domini nostri regis recepimus, tenorem continens infrascriptum *Edwardus Dei gracià*, etc. De vestris igitur fidelitate et prudenciâ plenam in Domino fiduciam obtinentes, ad colligendum, exigendum, levandum, et recipiendum in archidiaconatu Surreiensi, nostre diocesis, subsidium supradictum, quatenus clerum nostre diocesis concernit, cum omni celeritate oportunâ, et ad exequendum omnia alia et singula in dicto brevi pleniùs expressata, vos collectorem et executorem pro integrâ solucione dicti subsidii tenore presencium deputamus et eciam assignamus, et vobis vices nostras super hoc committimus, cum cuiuslibet cohercionis et execucionis canonice potestate.

Et si forte persone et viri alii exempti ad dictam summam contribuere noluerint, tunc eisdem personis sic recusantibus auctoritate regiâ diem prefigatis, quod sint coram dicto domino rege in cancellariâ suâ in quindenâ S. Michaelis proximò futurâ, ubicunque tunc fuerit, facturi et recepturi, quod de advisamento consilii regis ordinari contigerit tunc ibidem, et inhibeatur omnibus huiusmodi exemptis in formâ in dicto brevi superiùs annotatâ.

Et nos de nominibus omnium et singulorum porciones suas ipsos de dicto subsidio contingentes solvere recusancium per vestras literas patentes quociens necesse fuerit dilucidè certificetis.

Vobisque mandamus, quatenus in premissis talem et tantam diligenciam adhibere curetis, quod dictum negocium celerem et felicem sortiri possit effectum.—Farnham, 23 May.

[53 a.] Abbot of Waverley, prior of Merton, archdeacon of Surrey, and rector of Ewell (for the archdeaconry of Surrey), and prior of Winchester Cathedral, abbot of Hyde, and archdeacon of Winchester (for the archdeaconry of Winchester), directed to cite and assess all ecclesiastics within the respective archdeaconries, and compel them to pay on their respective assessments.—Same date.

[53 b.] Archdeacon of Surrey instructed to lend assistance to the collectors, "quia execucio dicti negocii celeris et ardua requirit sapienciam et experienciam plurimorum."—*Ib.*, 31 May.

Commission to abbot of Beaulieu and m. John de Penkestone, rector of Brighstone (vol. i, p. 103), to assess any non-assessed benefice in the Isle of Wight.—*Ib.*, 2 July.

[54 b.] Dean of Guildford placed under orders of the abbot of Waverley in the matter of the collection of the subsidy.—*Ib.*, 30 July.

[56 b.] Certain of the clergy refusing to pay the subsidy and triennial tenth, are already suspended and excommunicate, and yet, despising the keys of Holy Mother Church, they officiate, notam irregularitatis dampnabiliter incurrentes. The abbot of Waverley is enjoined to deal with such by the method of sequestration.—Southwark, 20 Oct.

Similar mandate for archdeaconry of Winchester.—Same date.

[63a.] Abbot of Hyde enjoined not to collect a tenth and half a tenth to answer the second moiety of the subsidy, but a tenth only :—

Satis est vobis notum, et vos personaliter per monachum vestrum informavimus et docuimus seriosè, quod pro secundâ solucione dicti subsidii regii colligendi nullos omnino faceretis processus, quousque de voluntate nostrâ in premissis essetis ad plenum et certitudinaliter primitus informati ; set ad aures nostras veraciter jam prevenit, quod vos, nostre voluntatis ignari, scripsistis subditis archidiaconatûs predicti pro solucione secundâ dicti subsidii, ipsos in unâ decimâ et dimidiâ inconsultè et indebitè onerando, ac processus varios et censuras ecclesiasticas in non solventes dictam decimam et dimidiam fulminâstis, et eas per vestras literas publicâstis, contra voluntatem nostram et preceptum super hoc per nos vobis datum, de quo miramur non modicum et turbamur.

Quocirca vobis injungimus et districtè precipiendo mandamus, quatenus omnes processus et censuras ecclesiasticas per vos latas, et sequestra vestra interposita occasione solucionis dicti subsidii unius decime et dimidie pro secundo termino colligendi statim visis presentibus simpliciter et penitus revocetis, et faciatis publicè revocari, quos et que, postquam ad nostram noticiam pervenerint, statim revocavimus, ac tenore presencium specialiter

revocamus, vobis mandantes et firmiter injungentes, quatenus non ampliùs quam unicam decimam pro secundo termino solucionis subsidii memorati a clero archidiaconatûs Wynton. aliqualiter exigatis, computati in unicâ decimâ solvendâ.

Si quid residuum fuerit seu remanserit in manibus vestris de exemptis et presbyteris stipendiariis ultra solucionem integram primi termini subsidii prelibati, quicquid autem pro secundo termino solucionis subsidii supradicti, ultra unicam decimam, in hâc parte exegeritis et receperitis, solventibus illud restitui faciatis.—Esher, 31 Jan., 1371–2.

[63b.] A similar mandate was addressed to the abbot of Waverley.

[65a.] William, lessee of the church of Worting, and Nicholas, r. of Eastrop, have been excommunicated by abbot of Hyde for non payment of the subsidy, and their goods are sequestrated. The dean of Basingstoke is enjoined to cause their excommunication to be read every Sunday and feast day until further order in the churches of the deanery, and to cite them to Waltham on Friday in second week of Lent on a charge of sequestration.—Southwark, 27 Jan.

[67a.] Letter to the rectors of Ewell and Shere. It appearing that many holders of benefices not hitherto assessed either pay less than they ought or refuse to pay at all, the rectors are enjoined to cite twenty-four beneficed men not holding such benefices to meet the bishop or his commissary at Cobham on the Friday next after Ascension Day, to ascertain the true value of all such benefices in Surrey. The holders of such benefices are to be cited to appear at same place and time, and to be informed that, whether they appear or not, they will have to pay—quod sive in dicto termino comparuerint sive non, ulteriùs in dicto negocio debitè procedetur, eorum absenciâ sive contumaciâ non obstante.—*Ib.*, 1 April, 1372.

[69b.] To the same. They need not cite twenty-four beneficed men for the purpose of ascertaining the true value of the archidiaconate of Surrey, inasmuch as the archdeacon has promised to pay—constanter et sponte obtulit, et firmiter coram nobis et pluribus fidedignis promisit se paratum dictum sub-

sidium pro comoditatibus spiritualis jurisdiccionis archidiaconatûs sui predicti usque ad summam veri valoris earundem fideliter soluturum, velut alii archidiaconi dictarum provinciarum pro comodis spiritualis jurisdiccionis eorundem persolverunt.—Esher, 5 May.

[67b.] Rector of Puttenham and v. of Farnham enjoined to sequestrate the archdeacon's goods for non payment of £8, the assessment on Farnham rectory.—Southwark, 5 April.

[70a.] Archdeacon's official directed to distrain for the £8, notwithstanding the sequestration :—

Aliàs vobis dedimus nostris literis in mandatis, quod de bonis m. Johannis de Edyndone pro decimâ de temporalibus suis domino nostro regi debitâ per sequestracionem et alias censuras ecclesiasticas levaretis seu levari faceretis infra certum terminum jam effluxum, pro quo debito districciones contra nos currunt indies laicales ; vosque nos vestris literis certificâstis, quod sequestrum auctoritate nostrâ interposuistis in eisdem bonis, set predictam summam debitam non levâstis ;[1] vobis iteratò precipimus, injungimus, et mandamus, quatenus de bonis dicti m. Johannis per vos sequestratis et aliis bonis suis ecclesiasticis, ubicunque in nostrâ diocesi repertis, levetis seu levari faciatis summam predictam, et illam habeatis coram baronibus de scaccario, etc.—*Ib.*, 1 June.

[71b.] Archdeacon of Winchester or his official to cite all abbots, priors, rectors, vicars, and other clergy in the archdeaconry to attend at Winchester cathedral on the Friday after St. James,—audituri et visuri calculum et raciocinia dicti collectoris reddi de omnibus et singulis porcionibus dicti subsidii, presertim de beneficiis ecclesiasticis non taxatis ac porcionibus capellanorum stipendariorum in dicto archidiaconatu per eum receptis, et ad faciendum et recipiendum ulteriùs in dicto negocio et illud contingentibus, quod ipsius negocii qualitas exigit et justicia suadebit.—Wolvesey, 22 July.

[72a.] Letter to dean of Sombourn and John, vicar of Romsey, enclosing a list of names of clergy in the archdeaconry

[1] See Part IV. The bishop distrained goods to the value of £8, and exposed them for sale, but there were no bidders.

of Winchester who have not paid the subsidy, and are excommunicate and under sequestration in consequence. They are to be cited to appear at Winchester Cathedral on the Saturday next after S. Peter ad vincula (1 August) and show cause why writs *de excommunicato capiendo*[1] should not go against them.—Wolvesey, 25 Aug.

Similar letters to Thomas, r. of Brown Candover, and Henry, v. of Bishop's Sutton, for deanery of Alresford; dean of Forde and John, v. of Sopley, for deanery of Forde; John, v. of Wherwell and Robert, v. of Andover, for deanery of Andover; Henry, v. of Catherington, and William, v. of Hambledon, for deanery of Droxford; m. Robert de Lemyngtone, r. of Arreton, and John Penkestone, v. of Brighstone, for deanery of Isle of Wight; dean of Winchester and r. of St. Maurice, for deanery of Winchester; dean of Basingstoke, William, r. of Newnham, and Thomas, v. of Crondall, for deanery of Basingstoke.

[72b.] Prior of Winchester Cathedral and m. John de Ware, deputed to hear any who appear to shew cause as above —ad petendum et recipiendum certificatoria advocacionum personarum, et ad audiendum causas et raciones earundem quas duxerint proponendas, et ad exhibendum eis et omnibus aliis super predictis plenum justicie complementum, et ad compescendum contradictores et rebelles in predictis per censuras ecclesiasticas, vobis communiter et divisim committimus vices nostras, cum cuiuslibet cohercionis canonice potestate.—*Ib.*, 20 July.

[74b.] Archdeacon of Surrey directed to excommunicate a number of churchmen who have not paid the subsidy, and to sequestrate their benefices; also to cite them to appear and shew cause why writs *de excommunicato capiendo* should not go against them:—

Vobis et cuilibet vestrûm in virtute sancte obediencie et sub maioris excommunicacionis penâ firmiter injungimus et districtè precipiendo mandamus, quatenus omnes et singulos viros ecclesi-

[1] In the bishop's time, one who lay forty days under sentence of excommunication might be arrested and imprisoned by virtue of a writ *de excommunicato capiendo* addressed to the Sheriff (Lyndwood, p. 350). "None," says Coke (Inst., p. 134a), "can certifie excommengement but only the bishop, unlesse the bishop be beyond sea, or *in remotis* . . . but in ancient times everie officiall or commissary might testifie excommengement in the King's Court, and for the mischiefe that ensued therefrom it was ordained by Parliament that none should testifie excommengement but the bishop only."

asticos supradictos, quorum nomina et summe eos contingentes debite de subsidio memorato in dictâ cedulâ conscribuntur, sic excommunicatos fore, et ipsorum ecclesias, loca, et beneficia sic fore interdicta, in omnibus et singulis ecclesiasticis beneficiis et locis suis omnibus diebus dominicis et festivis inter missarum solempnia coram clero et populo ibidem tunc presente faciatis absque simulatâ connivenciâ solempniter nunciari, et sequestra huiusmodi sic fore interposita publicari; quos fructus redditus et proventus ex eâdem causâ tenore presencium sequestramus, et vobis eciam divisim integrè committimus et custodiam bonorum sequestratorum predictorum, firmiter precipientes, quatenus cum omni celeritate sedulâ et oportunâ omnes pecuniarum summas in dictâ cedulâ designatas de fructibus, redditibus, et proventibus, ac bonis huiusmodi sequestratis et aliis personis inibi nominatis per vos vel alios vestro periculo eligendos exigatis, colligatis, ac levetis, exigi, collegi ac levari integrè faciatis, circumscriptâ omni morâ et negligenciâ quâcunque; contradictores et rebelles, seu vos in execucione predictorum quomodolibet impedientes, per quascunque censuras ecclesiasticas canonicè compescendo.

Citetis insuper, seu citari peremptoriè faciatis, omnes et singulos viros ecclesiasticos supradictos sic excommunicatos, quod compareant coram nobis vel nostro commissario in ecclesiâ nostrâ cathedrali Wyntoniensi die Jovis post festum Exaltacionis S. Crucis proximè futurum (14 September) causam racionabilem, si quam habeant, quare pro ipsis sic excommunicatis capiendis regie maiestati scribere minimè debeamus, in formâ juris proposituri, facturi, et recepturi quod justicia suadebit.

Totam insuper pecunie summam per vos in hâc parte collectam seu colligendam ad opus domini nostri regis faciatis dictis collectoribus integrè liberari.

De diebus verò recepcionis presencium ac publicacionum presentis mandati nostri sequestratorum et aliorum predictorum, unà cum nominibus propriis et cognominibus omnium per vos in hâc parte citatorum, ac quales et quantas summas et de quibus personis levatis et colligitis de subsidio memorato, et qualiter premissa eciam singula fueritis executi, nos vel nostrum commissarium dictis die et loco debitè certificetis literis vestris patentibus, habentibus hunc tenorem, sigillo autentico consignatis.—*Ib.*, 14 August.

[77b.] Order that the sum of £33. 8*s.* 8¾*d.*, assessed on alien priories in Surrey, shall be paid out of balances in the hands of the collectors arising from the contributions of holders of benefices not previously assessed, and the stipendiary clergy :—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis abbati monasterii de Waverle, priori monasterii de Merton, m. Johanni de Edyndone, archidiacono nostro Surreiensi, s. g. et b. Quia per consilium domini nostri regis est declaratum et eciam ordinatum, quod clerus Cantuariensis et Eboracensis provinciarum in porcione subsidii regni alienigenas contingente debet onerari, eo non obstante, quod litere regie sub magno sigillo suo inde clero predicto confecte eidem consilio regio exhibite fuerunt et ostense ; et summa dicti subsidii pro porcionibus alienigenarum contingens clerum nostre diocesis Wynton. ad centum septuaginta libras, sex solidos, et quatuor denarios sterlingorum, obolum et quadrantem se extendit, de quâ summâ clerus archidiaconatûs Surreiensis in triginta tribus libris, octo solidis, et octo denariis, obolo et quadrante secundum porcionem clerum eiusdem archidiaconatûs contingentem debet onerari : cumque nos et clerus noster tam urgentissimâ et inevitabili necessitate ad solucionem predicte summe sine more diffugio faciendam sumus taliter coartati :

Nos volentes clerum archidiaconatûs predicti in solucione dicte summe eos attingentis quantum possumus, racionabiliter relevare, vobis committimus et districtè precipiendo mandamus, quatenus convocatis coram vobis ad certos dies et loca per vos eis celeriter statuenda omnibus viris ecclesiasticis bona seu beneficia ecclesiastica in dicto archidiaconatu obtinentibus plenè et clarè supervideatis, quid et quantum de pecuniâ dicti subsidii ab exemptis privilegiatis beneficiis non taxatis et capellanis stipendiariis in collectoris manibus remanet jam collectum vel eciam colligendum ; et volumus ac mandamus quod illa summa sic remanens cedat et solvatur in relevamen solucionis triginta trium librarum, octo solidorum, et octo denariorum, oboli, et quadrantis predictorum.

Et si illa summa remanens sic collecta et colligenda non sufficiat ad plenam solucionem dictorum triginta trium librarum, octo solidorum, et octo denariorum, oboli, et quadrantis, tunc residuum dicte summe viris ecclesiasticis archidiaconatûs predicti debitè imponatis, et rectè imporcionetis ac racionabiliter

dividatis pro porcionibus uniuscuiusque de clero archidiaconatûs Surreiensis prefati, adeo quod nullus eorum in hâc parte judicio racionis dicere valeat se gravatum.

Vobis insuper domino abbati predicto exigendum, colligendum, levandum et percipiendum totum residuum dicti subsidii colligendum, ac summam predictam imponendam ultra dictum residuum, de personis ecclesiasticis, bonis et beneficiis suis ecclesiasticis archidiaconatûs predicti in formâ subscriptâ vices nostras committimus, et vos collectorem premissorum tenore presencium deputamus, cum cuiuslibet cohercionis et execucionis canonice potestate; mandantes, quatenus totum residuum prelibatum, ac predictam summam sic impositam, imporcionatam, et divisam ultra illud residuum, cum omni celeritate comodâ, et ad ultimum citra instans festum S. Matthei apostoli, colligatis integrè et levetis, etc.—*Ib.*, 6 Sept.

[78 a.] Similar instructions to abbot of Hyde.—Same date.

[85 b.] Archdeacon of Surrey directed to cite a number of churchmen, who are excommunicate for not having paid their quota, to appear at Highclere on Thursday next after St. Thomas the Apostle, and shew cause why writs *de excommunicato capiendo* should not go against them.—Farnham, 12 Dec.

Abbot of Waverley directed to enforce payment *per quascunque censuras ecclesiasticas* against archdeacon Edyndone, John, chaplain of East Moulsey, and John Lemynstre, capellanus.—Same date.

[53 a.] Archdeacon of Winchester to the bishop, praying him to certify certain excommunicate clergymen :—

Venerabili in Christo patri et domino, domino Willelmo, etc., suus humilis et devotus Robertus de Wykford, archidiaconus eiusdem, omnimodas reverencias cum honore. Ammonet nos ille celestis paterfamilias, qui vineam suam successoribus Petri regendam commisit, cuius amplitudo non scivit, ut eidem unius singularis cura sufficiat, et idcirco per ipsius regimen diversas ipsam per particulas secundum diversos gradus dividit inter plures, maioribus maiora, minoribus minora committens, ut cum minor sibi commissam regere non valeat recurrat pro remedio ad maiorem.

Sanè jamdudum, cum pro visitandâ huiusmodi vinee particulâ michi commissâ progressum fecimus jurisdiccionis vestre, repperi viros ecclesiasticos censuras ecclesiasticas non verentes, videlicet dominum Ricardum Grene, rectorem capelle de Bridlesforde,[1] dominum Willelmum, rectorem capelle S. Laurencii de Wathe,[2] dominum Johannem, rectorem ecclesie de Bromdene,[3] et Johannem Basyngge, capellanum ecclesie de Eremuthe,[4] qui tam auctoritate vestrâ quam meâ propter eorum manifestas et multiplicitas contumacias excommunicati fuerant et sunt, et in huiusmodi excommunicacionum sentenciis per xl dies et ampliùs perseveraverunt, et adhuc perseverant animo indurato, hiisque malis mala cumulantes, ut aspis que obturatis auribus vocem sapientis obaudit, paterna nomina dampnabiliter contempnentes, ut iniquitatis filii dampnande presumpcionis audaciâ celebrant sic ligati.

Quocirca paternitati vestre humiles preces porrigo, ne cura vobis michique commissa negligatur, remedium opponere dignemini in premissis, maiestati videlicet regie scribendo significare de incorrigibilitate et rebellione predictorum, ut et ipse rex juxta jura huiusmodi puniat presumptores.—Winchester, 1 May.

The certificate:—

Excellentissimo in Christo principi, etc. Willelmus, etc., salutem in Eo, per quem reges regnant, et principes dominantur. Vestre regie celsitudini tenore presencium intimamus, quod Ricardus Grene, etc. (see above) fuerunt et sunt propter suas multiplicitas et manifestas contumacias contractas maioris excommunicacionis summâ auctoritate nostrâ ordinariâ innodati, et pro sic excommunicatis palam et publicè nunciati; in quâ quidem maioris excommunicacionis summâ per xl dies et ampliùs perseverârunt et perseverant animis induratis, claves sancte matris ecclesie contempnendo.

Quapropter vestram maiestatem regiam suppliciter exoramus, quatenus pro dictorum excommunicatorum capcione et justificacione ad eorum obstinaciam reprimendum extendere dignemini auxilium brachii secularis, ut quos Dei timor a malo non revocat saltem severitas cohibeat discipline.

Celsitudinem vestram regiam semper erigat et dirigat in prosperis dextera Regis regum.—Farnham, 23 May.

[1] Vol. i, p. 51. [2] St. Lawrence, Isle of Wight. [3] Bramdean. [4] Yarmouth.

Commission directed to dean of Guildford, rector of Worplesdon, and vicar of Shalford, to claim clerks indicted in Surrey, and detain them in carcere nostro de Wolveseye.—Farnham, 26 May.

[53 b.] Commission to sequestrate church of Wotton, the rector being non-resident without leave or reasonable cause,—Licenciâ non petitâ nec attemptâ, absque causâ racionabili seu legitimâ quâcunque per non modica tempora voluntariè absentavit et absentat eciam in presenti, et eam stare permittit capellani parochialis officio penitus destitutam; calicem quoque et alia ornamenta ecclesie alienavit, et ducit in locis inhonestis vitam nimium dissolutam, in divine maiestatis offensam, anime sue periculum, et aliorum Christi fidelium perniciosum exemplum.—*Ib.*, 30 May.

[54 a.] License of non-residence for one year granted to Robert de Stokebrigge, rector of Ellisfield St. Martin (vol. i, p. 23).—*Ib.*, 1 July.

Citation of John Lorkyn, rector of St. Mary Magdalen, Bermondsey (vol. i, p. 132), to attend at Farnham and give security for his appearance at Westminster in an action of debt brought by prior of Bermondsey.—Farnham, 12 July.

[54 b.] License of non-residence for one year granted to Thomas de Cobeham, rector of Oxted (vol. i, p. 36), to study.—Southwark, 25 July.

Discharge of executors of will of William de St. Omer.—Farnham, 7 Aug.

Certain who refused to pay tithe at Cuddington, and others who rejected a *modus decimandi*,[1] to be punished canonically:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto nobis in Christo m. Johanni de Kelleseye, canonico ecclesie Lincolniensis, s. g. et b. Famâ publicâ referente ad nostrum pervenit auditum, quod Johannes Gardyn, Nicholas Gardyn, ds. Simon de Codyntone, miles, Willelmus Hartegray, Johannes Horroks, Johannes Taillour, et Ricardus Shephurd, parochiani ecclesie de Codyntone, nostre

"Something paid as a composition for tithe, on the assumption of being a moderate equivalent."—Johnson.

diocesis, quasdam decimas maiores et minores Deo et dicte ecclesie de Codyntone de jure debitas subtraxerunt injustè, et alium modum decimandi in parochiâ dicte ecclesie antiquitùs fieri consuetum nequiter perverterunt, et perverti mandaverunt, procurârunt, et fecerunt, in animarum suarum grave periculum, et aliorum Christi fidelium perniciosum exemplum.

De vestris igitur fidelitate et puritate consciencie plenam in Domino fiduciam optinentes, ad cognoscendum et procedendum in dicto negocio, et premissa eciam singula prefatis personis, et eorum cuilibet, ex officio nostro ad animarum suarum meram correccionem, et ad premonicionem prioris et conventûs de Merton, dictam ecclesiam de Codyntone in usus proprios obtinencium, si illud premonere voluerint, objiciendum, et excessus predictos ac personas prefatas, si in hiis eos inveneritis culpabiles corrigendum et canonicè puniendum, et dictum negocium cum suis emergentibus, dependentibus, et connexis fine debito terminandum, vobis tenore presencium vices nostras committimus, cum cuiuslibet cohercionis canonice potestate.—Waltham, 20 August, 1371.

[55a.] Return by John, *capellanus* of Merton, to commission dated Waltham, 12 August, 1371. The Gardyns and Shepherd are excommunicated, and the Gardyns have been served with citations to appear at the convent church of St. Mary Overy, Southwark, on the Tuesday after St. Faith (6 October) as respondents in a cause of subtraction of tithe. The other respondents could not be served. — Southwark, 6 Oct., 1371.

[56b.] Citation of Richard Harries, r. of Farleigh Mortimer (vol. i, p. 7), for non residence.—Southwark, 20 Oct.

[57a.] License granted to Richard de Hertewelle, r. of West Horsley (vol. i, p. 104) to demise the parsonage for three years on the usual conditions.—Waltham, 3 Nov.

Letter to abbots of Hyde and Waverley, directing them to levy and raise in the diocese two-thirds of the sum usually raised for a legate, in the name of procurations[1] for Cardinals

[1] Such procurations were abolished amongst other papal exactions by Stat. 25, Hen. VIII, c. 21, "the act concerning Peter pence and dispensations."

Simon and John, the nuncios to France and England, pursuant to bulls of Gregory XI printed below.—Southwark, 20 Oct.

Gregorius episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis filiis Simoni, tt. S. Sixti[1] et Johanni, tt. SS. Quatuor Coronatorum,[2] presbyteris cardinalibus, apostolice sedis nunciis, salutem et apostolicam benediccionem. Cum vos ad Francie et Anglie regna pro magnis et arduis negociis destinemus,[3] nos, ut incumbencia vobis expensarum onera possitis faciliùs supportare, volentes vobis de oportuno subvencionis auxilio providere, vobis ambobus recipiendis huiusmodi negociorum, vestrâ prosecucione durante, tam in absenciâ quam in presenciâ vestrâ, duas partes ex procuracionibus, quas unus de cardinalibus sancte Romane ecclesie, apostolice sedis legatus, in dictis regnis pro suis procuracionibus recipere consuevit, que videlicet ad summam maiorem ascendere dinoscitur, a venerabilibus fratribus nostris archiepiscopis et episcopis ac dilectis filiis et electis, abbatibus, prioribus, decanis ac prepositis, archidiaconis, archipresbyteris, et aliis ecclesiarum prelatis, et rectoribus, ac ecclesiasticis personis, religiosis et secularibus, earumque capitulis et conventibus, exemptis et non exemptis, Cisterciensis, Cluniacensis, Cartusiensis, Premonstratensis, SS. Benedicti et Augustini, Camaldulensis, S. Guillermi, et aliorum ordinum, necnon magistris, prioribus, preceptoribus, et fratribus S. Johannis Ierosolomitani, et aliorum quorumcunque hospitalium seu domorum regnorum predictorum; necnon contradictorum per censuram ecclesiasticam appellacione postpositâ compescendo, non obstante illâ, quam felicis recordacionis Gregorius papa X, predecessor noster, edidit in concilio Lugdunensi, ac pie memorie Bonifacii, pape VIII, predecessoris nostri, in quâlibet aliâ sedis predicte constitucionibus, seu quibuslibet privilegiis, indulgenciis et literis apostolicis, quibusvis personis, locis, et ordinibus sub quâcunque verborum formâ ab eâdem sede concessis, de quibus quoque totis tenoribus plenam et expressam fieri oporteat in nostris literis mencionem, et per que huius nostre concessionis effectus impediri valeat quomodolibet vel differri, plenam et liberam vobis et unicuique vestrûm auctoritate presencium concedimus facultatem.—Avinione, vij Id. Mart., pontificatûs nostri anno primo.

[1] Note, p. 65. [2] *Ib.*

[3] A similar attempt on the part of Urban V to restore peace was frustrated by his death on the 22nd of December, 1370.—Walsingham, i, p. 311.

Gregorius episcopus, servus servorum Dei, venerabilibus fratribus archiepiscopis et episcopis, ac dilectis filiis electis, abbatibus, decanis, etc., salutem et apostolicam benediccionem. Amaram nimis et periculosam discordiam, que inter carissimos in Christo filios nostros Carolum Francorum, et Edwardum Anglie, reges illustres, inimico humani generis faciente in universalis ecclesie Catholice fidei tociusque rei publice nimis grande prejudicium, viguit et viget de presenti, amarâ mente deflentes, ad pacem et concordiam inter reges ipsos et ipsorum adjutores, fautores, auxiliatores, familiares, et subditos, et vassallos et adherentes eisdem, dante Deo, informandam, duos ex venerabilibus fratribus nostris sancte Romane ecclesie cardinalibus, videlicet Simonem, tt. S. Sixti, et Johannem, tt. SS. Quatuor Coronatorum, presbyteros cardinales, quorum virtutes et merita sunt grandia, tanquam ministros idoneos et frequenter in arduis comprobatos providimus destinandum.

Cum autem non decet, quod iidem cardinales pro tanto bono propriis laborent stipendiis, eisdem cardinalibus pro suis expensis necessariis huiusmodi negociorum prosecucione durante de duabus partibus procuracionum que legato de latere sedis apostolice in partibus illis pro tempore existente dari consuerint, per vos solvendum, duximus ordinandum.

Quocirca universitatem vestram rogamus et hortamur in Domino, vobis nichilominus per apostolica scripta mandantes, quatenus eosdem nuncios nostros ob reverenciam dicte sedis et nostram benignè recipientes et honestè pertractantes, predictis nunciis quamdiu in huiusmodi negociorum prosecucione fuerint, de huiusmodi duabus partibus procuracionum juxta ordinacionem vestram predictam in eundo, morando, et redeundo liberaliter providere curetis, mandatum nostrum huiusmodi sic efficaciter adimplendo, quod devocionem vestram exinde commendare meritò valeamus.

Alioquin summam, quam iidem nuncii, et eorum quilibet, per se vel alium seu alios ritè tulerint in rebelles, super quo et aliis premissis ipsis, et eorum cuilibet, plenam tenore presencium auctoritate apostolicâ concedimus potestatem, ratam habebimus et faciemus, auctore Domino, usque ad satisfaccionem condignam inviolabiliter observari.

Non obstante, si vobis, et vestrûm alicui, seu aliquibus et quibusvis aliis, seu locis et ordinibus vestris, conjunctim vel divisim, a predictâ sit sede indultum, quod nunciis sedis ipsius procuracionem aliquam exhibere, vel in illâ contribuere, nisi ad vos declinaverint, minimè teneamini, et ad id compelli, aut quod interdici, suspendi, vel excómmunicari non possit per literas apostolicas, non facientes plenam et expressam ac de verbo ad verbum de indulto huiusmodi mencionem, et quibuslibet privilegiis, indulgenciis, ac literis apostolicis quibuscunque personis vel ordinibus sub quâcunque formâ vel expressione verborum ab eâdem sede concessis, de quibus quorumque totis tenoribus de verbo ad verbum in nostris literis mencio sit habenda, et per que presentis mandati nostri effectus valeat quomodolibet impediri. —Same date.

Similar letters, dated at Waltham, 11 Nov., 1371, were sent to John de Wormenhale and others for the archdeaconry of Winchester, and to Robert de Lemyngtone, the archdeacon's official, for the deanery of the Isle of Wight.

[63 a.] Acquittance by Cardinal Simon for the sum of £107. 13*s*., the procuration due by the bishop and clergy of the diocese for the first year of the mission :—

Nos Simon, miseracione divinâ tt. S. Sixti, sancte Romane ecclesie presbyter cardinalis, apostolice sedis nuncius, recognoscimus et in veritate confitemur, nos recepisse die confeccionis presencium de reverendo patre Willelmo, etc., per manus domini Roberti Croucheston (vol. i, p. 29), pro ipso episcopo et clero totius dioc. Wynton. centum septem libras tresdecim solidos sterlingorum pro porcionibus ipsum episcopum et dictum clerum contingentibus nomine procuracionum, tam nobis quam reverendissimo in Christo patri ac domino, domino Johanni, tt. SS. Quatuor Coronatorum presbytero cardinali, unà nobiscum ad Anglie et Francie regna pro magnis et arduis negociis apostolice sedis nuncio destinato, videlicet pro primo anno nunciacionis nostre die vicesimâ septimâ mensis marcii per dictos reverendum patrem et clerum pro porcionibus suis, salvâ nobis potestate levandi exigendi et recipiendi, si quod de dicto reverendo patre et clero pro porcionibus suis predictis nobis debitum remanet non solutum.—London, 21 Jan., 1371–2.

[**60a.**] Citation of William Masse,[1] of St. Neots, late master of Sandon Hospital, to appear at the parish church of Waltham on the Friday next after St. Lucy, and answer interrogatories touching his administration of the hospital, and produce an inventory of the goods thereof.—Waltham, 27 Nov., 1371.

[**60b.**] Appointment of m. Richard de Uptone, clerk, to be proctor for the bishop in the Consistory Court of Canterbury, in all causes promoted against him by John de Stokegoldyngtone, alleging himself to be rector of Bramdean.—*Ib.*, 1 Dec., 1371.

Discharge of sequestration, on return of John Aubevyle, r. of Ovington (vol. i, p. 43) into residence :—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis m. Johanni de Wormenhale, officiali nostro, et Johanni de Whichebury, registratori consistorii nostri Wyntoniensis, s. g. et b. Quia dilectus filius ds. Johannes, rector ecclesie de Ovyngtone, nostre diocesis, ad partes Anglie est regressus, et nostris ordinacioni et disposicioni in omnibus ipsum tangentibus humiliter se submisit, devotè supplicans, ut fructus dicte ecclesie sue, ipso absente, perceptas sibi restitui facere dignaremur intuitu caritatis :

Nos, volentes graciosè et misericorditer agere cum eodem, vobis mandamus, quatenus omnes fructus eiusdem ecclesie sue medio tempore per vos receptos, deductis oneribus dicte ecclesie incumbentibus supportatis, et capellani parochialis stipendio usque ad presens persoluto, de residuo integrè tibi restituatis et cum effectu.

Valete feliciter in Filio Virginis gloriose.—*Ib.*, 10 Dec.

[**60.**] Monition for deer and coney stealers in the bishop's park and warren at Fareham :—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis decano de Drokenesforde ac rectoribus et vicariis perpetuis, necnon capellanis parochialium ecclesiarum de Fareham, Tychefelde, Alwarstoke, Rowenore, Suthwyk, et Porcestre, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Quamvis ad tuicionem et presidium libertatis ecclesiastice conservande contra perversorum malicias ipsas infringere satagencium a sanctis patribus salubriter sit statutum, quod si quis de domibus,

[1] Vol. i, p. 26. He held the hospital *in commendam* only.

maneriis, grangiis, vel locis aliis ad archiepiscopos, episcopos, vel alias personas ecclesiasticas, seu ad ipsas ecclesias pertinentibus, quicquam preter voluntatem aut permissionem dominorum, vel eorum qui sunt huiusmodi rerum custodiis deputati, consumere vel auferre aut contrectare presumpserit, sit ipso facto maioris excommunicacionis summâ innodatus, a quâ, donec de ipsis satisfecerit, absolucionis graciam minimè consequatur.

Recenter tamen nostris auribus est relatum, quod nonnulli fingentes se filios ecclesie, licet degeneres, Deum et sanctam matrem ecclesiam contemptibiliter offendere non verentes, quorum nomina nobis sunt ignota, parcum nostrum de Fareham, garennas nostras ibidem, et alia loca dominii circumjacencia venacioni nostre debita et subjecta, et ad ecclesiam nostram Wyntoniensem pertinencia ab antiquo, violenter et clandestinè sunt ingressi, et damas ac damulas in dicto parco mactârunt, et cuniculos in garennis, et alia animalia fera inibi existencia ceperunt, et preter voluntatem et permissionem nostram et custodum rerum et locorum predictorum abstraxerunt, consumpserunt, asportârunt, et contrectârunt, abstrahi, consumi, asportari et contrectari mandârunt et procurârunt, maioris excommunicacionis summam antedictam damnabiliter incurrendo.

Nos igitur, volentes jura et libertates ecclesie Wyntoniensis, sponse nostre, contra ascendencium huiusmodi ex adverso[1] malignas versucias omni juris ecclesiastici remedio, sicut nostro incumbit officio, debitè defensare, vobis et unicuique vestrûm insolidum et eciam divisim in virtute sancte obediencie, quâ nobis estis astricti, et sub maioris excommunicacionis penâ, districtè precipimus et firmiter injungendo mandamus, quatenus omnes et singulos dictorum excessuum patratores parcos et garennas nostras et alia loca nostra taliter, ut premittitur, ingredientes, damas, cuniculos, et alia animalia nostra inibi existencia mactantes et capientes, et inde sic, ut premittitur, abstrahentes, consumentes, et contrectantes injustè, in dictam maioris excommunicacionis summam incidisse, et sic excommunicatos fore, etc. —Waltham, 18 Dec., 1371.

[**61 b.**] Appointment of mm. Robert de Sustede, Hugh de Erlham, John de Lydeforde, and John Uptone as joint and

[1] See p. 27 *n.*

several proctors for the bishop at the Roman Court.—Highclere, 7 Jan., 1371–2.

[62b.] Commission to audit the accounts of St. Mary Magdalen's chapel, Kingston-on-Thames :—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis clericis nostris mm. Thome de Sheptone, legum doctori, et Johanni de Kelleseye, Wellensis et Lincolniensis ecclesiarum canonicis, s. g. et b. De vestris fidelitate et puritate consciencie plenam in Domino fiduciam obtinentes, ad audiendum, recipiendum, et plenariè discuciendum calculum et raciocinia m. custodis seu capellani principalis capelle de Kyngestone, nostre diocesis, super administracione bonorum dicte capelle per ipsum factâ, necnon ad approbandum vel reprobandum ea, que ibidem bene vel male inveneritis administrata, et ad compellendum eundem custodem vobis ostendere inventarium bonorum capelle predicte, et omnes alias scripturas, munimenta, et evidencias tangencia reddicionem raciociniorum predictorum, necnon ad exhibendum dicto custodi super hiis et omnibus aliis, quorum interest, racionis et justicie per omnia complementum, vobis comuniter et divisim tenore presencium committimus vices nostras cum cuiuslibet cohercionis et execucionis canonice potestate ; mandantes, quatenus nos de toto processu vestro super hiis habito, expedito dicto negocio, clarè et plenè certificetis literis vestris patentibus habentibus hunc tenorem.—Esher, 11 Jan., 1371–2.

The same commissioners deputed to visit St. Thomas the Martyr's hospital, Southwark.—Same date.

[63b.] Settlement of accounts between the bishop and the executors of bishop Edyndone :—

In Dei nomine, amen. Per presens publicum instrumentum cunctis appareat evidenter, quod anno, etc., convenerunt personaliter reverendus pater, etc., ex parte unâ, necnon Johannes de Blebury, nuper persona ecclesie de Witteneye, Thomas de Hungerforde, Walterus Sevenhamptone, nuper persona ecclesie de Alresforde, et Johannes Corf, persona ecclesie de Colyngbourne Abbatis, executores testamenti bone memorie domini Willelmi de Edyndone, nuper episcopi Wyntoniensis, ex alterâ, et constituti fuerunt in habitacione mansi rectorie ecclesie paro-

chialis de Burghclere, Wynton. diocesis, in mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presenciâ.

Et prefatus dominus nunc episcopus Wyntoniensis specialiter rogavit et requisivit executores predictos, quod ipsi plenè exhiberent, inspicerent, et viderent omnes et singulas indenturas, compotos, parcellas, scripturas, et alias evidencias quascunque de omnimodis denariis, animalibus, stauro vivo et mortuo, bladis, et aliis bonis et catallis quibuscunque, tam nomine implementi, quam alia quâcunque de causâ prefato domino nunc episcopo et eius ministris per eos quomodolibet liberatis, et plenè ac fideliter onerarent dictum dominum nunc episcopum de bonis et catallis predictis, et de veris valoribus eorundem.

Qui quidem executores palam et publicè ac expressè fatebantur, recognoverunt, et dixerunt, se huiusmodi indenturas, parcellas, compotos, et evidencias plenè vidisse, inspexisse et examinâsse, et inde cum maturitate deliberâsse; fatebantur et recognoverunt executores predicti expressè se plenè et fideliter onerâsse predictum dominum nunc episcopum de omnibus animalibus, stauro vivo et mortuo, bladis, et omnibus et singulis aliis bonis et catallis quibuscunque dicti episcopi defuncti per ipsos predicto domino nunc episcopo et ministris suis liberatis.

Et super hoc predicti executores fatebantur et publicè recognoverunt se plenè et fideliter computâsse cum Willelmo de Worston et Thomâ Dru, senescallis ipsius episcopi, dominis Johanne de Rouceby et Thomâ Cook, clericis, auditoribus compotorum ministrorum episcopatûs Wyntoniensis, dominis Willelmo Renaud, thesaurario ipsius domini episcopi apud Wolveseye, et Roberto de Croucheston, clerico episcopatûs Wyntoniensis, ac Waltero de Haywode, de omnibus et singulis animalibus, stauro vivo et mortuo, bladis, et de omnibus et omnimodis aliis bonis et catallis et rebus quibuscunque predictis tam nomine implementi, quam causâ reparacionis defectuum dicti episcopatûs Wynton. subscriptorum sibi et ministris suis per eosdem executores quovismodo unquam a tempore mortis predicti domini Willelmi de Edyndone, nuper episcopi Wynton. anno domini millesimo CCC^{mo} lxvij, videlicet primo anno consecracionis sue, centum et viginti septem affros, mille quingentos quinquaginta et sex boves, tres mille octingentos sexaginta et

sexdecim multones, quatuor mille septingentas septuaginta et septemdecim oves matrices, tres mille quingentos viginti et unum agnos, nomine implementi, sibi de jure ac ex certâ ordinacione et consuetudine ecclesie Wynton. debiti.

Et quia dicti executores dixerunt sibi constare, quod edificia, turres, muri et clausure in castris et maneriis dicti episcopatûs tempore mortis eiusdem nuper episcopi diversimodè fuerunt ruinosa et maximâ debilitate et depressa, et quamplura eorum omnino ad terram diruta et prostrata, quod de necessitate maximâ indiguerint, predicti executores fatebantur publicè et recognoverunt se sponte liberâsse et tradidisse prefato domino nunc episcopo Wyntoniensi vel ministris suis pro reparacionibus et emendacionibus defectuum in castris, turribus et muris, edificiis, clausuris, et maneriis episcopatûs Wyntoniensis, tempore mortis prefati domini Willelmi de Edyndone nuper episcopi notoriè patencium et imminencium diversa animalia et staura viva et mortua, blada, ac quedam alia bona et catalla dicti defuncti ex eorum comuni assensu et voluntate bene et fideliter per eos appreciata, et in denariis fideliter computatis ad certum et racionabilem (*sic*) precium, usque ad summam mille sex centum sexaginta duo librarum et decem solidorum sterlingorum.

Et idem dominus episcopus concessit et publicè fatebatur, se per manus ministrorum suorum prefatum implementum in formâ predictâ, ac eciam animalia, staurum vivum et mortuum, blada, et quedam alia bona et catalla dicti domini Willelmi de Edyndone, predecessoris sui, ad summam predictam et racionabiliter, ex eorum comuni, assensu et voluntate appreciata, ultra predictum implementum recepisse.

Prefati verò executores recognoverunt et publicè fatebantur tunc ibidem, quod idem dominus nunc episcopus Wynton., vel ministri sui, nichil omnino habuit vel habuerunt, recepit vel receperunt ab eisdem executoribus, vel eorum ministris, de bonis et catallis dicti domini Willelmi de Edyndone ultra predictum implementum, et ultra animalia, staurum vivum et mortuum, blada, et alia bona et catalla prenominata usque ad summam predictam appreciata, et quod iidem executores nichil aliud, nisi bona prenotata ac appreciata tantummodo et non plus eidem domino nunc episcopo aut ministris suis quovismodo liberârunt seu liberari fecerunt ex causis predictis.

De quorum quidem implementi liberacione, ac eciam animalium, stauri vivi et mortui, bladorum, et aliorum bonorum et catallorum quorumcunque, sic, ut premittitur, predicto nunc episcopo liberatorum, apprecione, liberacione, computacione, recepcione, et confessione tam predictus episcopus quam predicti executores fecerunt ex eorum unanimi consensu et eorum spontaneâ voluntate quandam indenturam, sigillis eorum omnium et singulorum sigillatam.

Cuius autem indenture tenor sequitur in hec verba:

[64 a.] Presens indentura inter venerabilem patrem, dominum Willelmum, etc., ex parte unâ et Nicolaum Kaerwent, personam ecclesie de Crundale; Johannem Blebury, nuper personam ecclesie de Wytteneye; Thomam de Hungerforde; Walterum Sevenhamptone, nuper personam ecclesie de Alresforde; et Johannem Corf, personam ecclesie de Colyngbourne abbatis, executores testamenti domini Willelmi de Edyndone, nuper episcopi Wyntoniensis, ex parte alterâ, testatur quod cum quilibet episcopus loci predicti ex certâ ordinacione et antiquâ consuetudine eidem ecclesie factis et hactenus usitatis et approbatis dimittere debeat suo successori certa animalia nomine implementi, dicti executores liberârunt prefato domino Willelmo de Wykeham nunc episcopo ecclesie supradicte primo anno sue consecracionis, scilicet anno domini millesimo CCC^mo^ sexagesimo septimo et anno domini regis nunc quadragesimo primo, totum implementum eidem episcopo debitum, et, ut predicitur, jure consuetum, videlicet centum et viginti septem affros, mille quingentos quinquaginta et sex boves, tres mille octingentos sexaginta et sexdecim multones, quatuor mille septingentas sexaginta et septemdecim oves matrices, tres mille quingentos viginti et unum agnos; et considerato quod edificia, turres, muri, et clausure in castris et maneriis dicti episcopatûs tempore mortis eiusdem nuper episcopi diversimodò fuerunt ruinosa et tantâ debilitate depressa, et quamplura omnino terre dirupta et prostrata, quod de necessitate magnâ reparacione indiguerint, predicti executores a tempore mortis predicti nuper episcopi usque datam presencium sponte liberârunt eidem nunc episcopo pro emendacionibus domorum et reparacionibus defectuum predictorum in animalibus, stauro vivo

et mortuo, bladis, ac quibusdam aliis bonis et catallis appreciatis omnibus et singulis ex eorum communi assensu, et denariis fideliter computatis, ad certum et racionabile precium, usque ad summam mille sexcentum sexaginta duarum librarum et decem solidorum.

Quod quidem implementum in formâ predictâ, unà cum animalibus, stauro vivo et mortuo, bladis, et aliis bonis et catallis, ut predicitur, pro reparacionibus et defectibus predictis, usque ad summam predictam appreciatis, idem episcopus concedit per presentes ipsum per manus ministrorum suorum ab eisdem executoribus recepisse ; predicti verò executores fatentur et recognoscunt per presentes, quod idem episcopus nichil habuit vel recepit de eisdem executoribus aut eorum ministris de bonis et catallis dicti domini Willelmi de Edyndone, nuper episcopi, testatoris sui, ultra predictum implementum et animalia, staurum vivum et mortuum, blada, et alia bona et catalla predicta, usque ad summam predictam appreciata, et quod idem executores nichil aliud nisi bona prenominata tantummodo, et non ampliùs, eidem episcopo aut ministris suis liberaverunt, aut liberare fecerunt, ex causis supradictis.

In cuius rei testimonium predictus episcopus uni parti istius indenture penes prefatos executores remanenti sigillum suum apposuit ; alteri verò parti indenture eiusdem penes prefatum episcopum remanenti predicti executores sigilla sua apposuerunt, hiis testibus, Lucâ de Ponynges, Bernardo Brokas, Johanne Foxele, Hugone Camoys, militibus ; Waltero Haywode, Petro Bruges, Johanne Warblyntone, Henrico Popham, Ricardo Danvers, Henrico Wattesforde, Johanne Fauconer et aliis. . . . . .

Et demum petitum fuit ex parte dictorum executorum, quod presens tractatus seu loquela esset finalis terminus negocii implementi et reparacionis defectuum predictorum.

Et dictus pater ad hec publicè contradixit, et respondit expressè predictis executoribus coram testibus infrascriptis et pluribus aliis circumstantibus fidedignis, quod noluit nec aliquo modo consensit, quod hec loquela seu tractatus in dictâ indenturâ contenta seu comprehensa esset vel foret finalis concordia, pro eo quod septingente marce restant adhuc a dictis executoribus eidem episcopo debite.

Et propter illud debitum, et alias pecuniarum summas eidem per ipsos executores ex certâ convencione promissas, concordatas, et racionabiliter debitas, et alias causas racionabiles et evidentes et materias per ipsum episcopum in futurum exprimendas, ante quarum solucionem, satisfaccionem, et implecionem plenariam noluit nec intendebat quovismodo idem pater, ut dixit, ultra tenorem, vim, seriem, et effectum dicte indenture prefatum negocium protunc aliter terminare.

Quas quidem septingentas marcas iidem executores tunc publicè fatebantur et recognoverunt eidem episcopo se debere, et illas ei se soluturos bene, fideliter et sponte promiserunt.[1] Acta sunt hec, etc.—Burghclere, Feb. 10, 1371–2.

[71 b.] Tercio die mensis Junii, anno domini MCCClxxij^{do}, in capellâ S. Stephani apud Westm., in presenciâ reverendorum patrum dominorum Willelmi, archiepiscopi Cantuariensis, Simonis, Londoniensis episcopi, m. Johanni des Appelby, decani ecclesie cathedralis S. Pauli, London., domini Willelmi de Dytton, m. Thome de Sheptone, Johannis de Kelleseye, notarii publici apostolici, et aliorum, ds. episcopus Wynton. exhibuit indenturam inter ipsum et executores testamenti domini Willelmi de Edyndone, predecessoris sui, super implemento et aliis bonis liberatis dicto patri factam ; quâ perlectâ executores predicti recognoverunt publicè et fatebantur omnia et singula in eâ contenta esse vera, et de eorum deliberatâ et spontaneâ voluntate processisse et esse facta. Quam indenturam sigillatam dictus pater tradidit Johanni Bartone, registrario archiepiscopi Cantuariensis ad registrandum.

[65 a.] Mayor and bailiffs of Southampton warned not to levy toll on the bishop's tenants :—

Willelmus, etc., maiori et ballivis ville Suthamptone, nostre diocesis, spem consilii sanioris. Querelam Johannis Comerthorn, hominis et tenentis nostri, et aliorum hominum et tenencium nostrorum grave recepimus, continentem, quod licet per literas regias antiquitùs episcopis Wyntoniensibus sit concessum, et

[1] Lowth, p. 67, n., quoting MS. Farnham, says that Edington's dilapidations amounted to £1814. 3*s.* 10*d.* But here we find that the executors handed over stock to the value of £1662. 10*s.*, and admitted a further liability of 700 marks, which makes the dilapidations amount to £2109. 3*s.* 4*d.*, equivalent to £25000 and upwards in our money.

per dominum nostrum regem nunc confirmatum, quod omnes homines et tenentes sui debeant esse liberi et quieti ab omni telonio et talliagio, ac aliâ exaccione quâcunque, pro omnibus bonis et mercandisis suis per totum regnum Anglie, et per omnes alias terras dicioni, dominio, et districcioni[1] domini nostri regis subditas et subjectas jure et nomine ecclesie nostre Wyntoniensis ; eâdem quoque libertate predecessores et processores nostri episcopi Wyntonienses in hominibus et tenentibus suis feodorum suorum omni libertate gaudebant suis temporibus successivis, et usi sunt pacificè et quietè absque interrupcione et contradiccione quâcunque, eciam a tempore et per tempus cuius contrarium memoriâ hominum non existit, et nos similiter nostro tempore usi sumus ; vos cum nimis voluntariè libertatem et immunitatem huiusmodi ecclesie nostre predicte maliciosè infringere satagentes, bona et catalla Johannis Comerthorn, hominis et tenentis nostri, et aliorum hominum et tenencium nostrorum, et de feodo ecclesie nostre predicte existencium, scienter pro telonio inde solvendo arrestâstis seu fecistis arrestari, et detinetis sub arestâ, in violacionem libertatis et juris dicte ecclesie nostre, ad que manumittenda et servanda, tam virtute juramenti nostri in consecracione nostrâ primò prestiti firmiter sumus astricti, necnon dictorum hominum et tenencium grave dispendium et jacturam, que nequimus in divine maiestatis offensam oculis conniventibus tollerare.

Vos igitur, tanquam nostros filios speciales, monemus, requirimus in Domino, et hortamur, quatenus bona et mercimonia quecunque dicti Johannis, hominis et tenentis nostri, et aliorum hominum et tenencium nostrorum quorumcunque, per partes et territoria vestra transeuncia, empta, et transvecta, per vos hactenus arrestata et detenta, absque exaccione quâcunque telonii seu alterius imposicionis indebite eisdem nostris hominibus et tenentibus liberè et integrè, prout jus et racio exigunt, et juxta vim et tenorem cartarum regiarum predictarum restituatis indilatè, ne contra vos, tanquam contra violatores jurium et libertatum ecclesie nostre predicte, tam in foro ecclesiastico quam in seculari, per penas canonicas et processus legales in curiâ domini nostri regis pro justiciâ super hoc habendâ procedendi nobis justam materiam deceterò ministretis.

[1] Jurisdiction.—*Du Cange*, sub voc. distringere, 3.

Et quid super hiis feceritis, seu duxeritis faciendum, nobis velle vestrum per latorem presencium rescribatis, quia premissa dissimulare non possumus nec debemus.—Waltham, 17 Feb.

[65 b.] License granted to bp. of Bath and Wells[1] to confer orders in his chapel at Dogmersfield on the eve of Passion Sunday (die Sabbati quâ cantatur officium *sitientes*, vol. i, p. 255, n.), and on Easter Eve on clerks of his own diocese, clerks from Court, and clerks personally known to him.—*Ib.*, 4 March.

Inhibition of vicar of Romsey in a dispute with the sacrist of the abbey church as to who should bless the palms on Palm Sunday. Englished :—

It hath been the usage from the time whereof the memory of man runneth not to the contrary that the sacrist of the abbey church shall bless the palms and boughs of other trees used at mass on Palm Sunday, and that from the High Altar, and not elsewhere. Yet so it is, that the vicar, John Folyot, and his chaplains, have interrupted the sacrist in the exercise of this privilege. Wherefore the dean of Sombourn is ordered to inhibit the vicar and chaplains, pending the decision of a cause promoted by the abbess and convent against them.—*Ib.*, 13 March.

[66 a.] Licence of non-residence for three years granted to the rector of Farley Chamberlayne (vol. i, p. 39), to study at the University of Oxford; with a dispensation from proceeding to sub-deacon's orders in the meantime.—*Ib.*, 17 March.

Vicar of Kingsclere (John Laverans, vol. i, p. 39), appointed registrar of the Consistory Court in room of John de Whichebury, who is unable to perform the duties of the office by reason of infirmity.—Same date.

[66 b.] Autograph letter to official, relaxing suspension of Robert de Milvertone (vol. i, p. 48), v. of Ellingham :—

Carissime. Accessit ad nos personaliter Robertus, vicarius ecclesie de Elyngham, nostre diocesis, contra quem pro suis excessibus processus varios coram vobis fecistis, promittens firmiter se velle vitam suam preteritam insipidam in melius reformare: Nos igitur, sub spe emendacionis vite sue et sanioris

[1] John de Harewelle, 1366-86.

gestûs sui, volumus et mandamus, quod scribatis et precipiatis decano dicti loci, vel alii persone idonee, prout videritis expedire, quod ipse permittat et faciat dictum vicarium stare liberè in curâ; alios perceptos et detentos, deductis oneribus dicte vicarie sue medio tempore incumbentibus et supportatis, et detentores ad id per censuras ecclesiasticas auctoritate nostrâ compellatis.—*Ib.*, 22 March, 1371–2.

Commission to m. Richard Coleshulle (vol. i, p. 27), precentor of St. Mary's, Southampton, to hear and determine a cause of defamation promoted by Eleanor Dyere of South Stonham, *in formâ pauperis*, against William Rous.—*Ib.*, 24 March.

Nicholas Hethe, clerk, appointed—ad presentandum se pro ipso domino episcopo Wyntoniensi coram camerario domini nostri pape, et ad visitandum pro ipso limina apostolorum beatorum Petri et Pauli, et ad petendum et recipiendum super premissis literas testimoniales, prout idem dominus episcopus tenetur ex debito prestiti juramenti[1]; et omnia alia et singula facienda, ad que tenetur idem episcopus occasione premissâ facere in curiâ Romanâ predictâ, necnon alium seu alios procuratorem seu procuratores loco suo substituendum, et generaliter ad omnia alia et singula expedienda et exercenda, que in premissis necessaria fuerint, seu eciam oportuna.—Southwark, 25 March, 1372.

[67a.] Commission to absolve Robert Bakere:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio Petro de Oxon., monacho ecclesie nostre Wyntoniensis, penitenciario nostro, s. g. et b. Accedens ad nos Robertus Bakere quedam anime sue salutem tangencia nobis in foro penitencie sacramentalis est confessus, que libertatem et immunitatem ecclesie et jurisdiccionis nostre ecclesiastice violacionem concernunt.

Vobis igitur committimus et mandamus, quatenus auditâ ipsius confessione in premissis, ipsum injunctâ sibi penitenciâ salutari pro commissis, a culpâ suâ huiusmodi vice nostrâ canonicè absolvatis hâc vice.—Waltham, 26 March, 1371 (*sic*).

[1] See his consecration oath, vol. i, p. 9.

[67 b.] Prayers for peace with France :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio officiali archidiaconi nostri Surreiensis s. g. et b. A memoriâ Christi fidelium non recedunt, set mundo patere possunt eciam universo, injurie manifeste et enormes molestie quas gens Gallicana domino nostro Edwardo, etc., in terris et locis diversis, districtibus, territoriis, et jurisdiccionibus, in transmarinis partibus ad ipsum jure hereditario pertinentibus et legitimè devolutis multipliciter irrogârunt ; et quamvis idem dominus rex, secutor pacis et amator, pro tractatu pacis super hiis habendo, ad partes illas solempnes nuncios destinâsset ad pacis pulcritudinem suum animum inclinando, pacem, quatenus in ipso est, prosequens et inquirens, pars tamen adversa Gallicorum omnem viam pacis obstinatis animis declinârunt, ad omnes vias guerrarum et dissensionum in spiritu superbie se parantes. Set speramus firmiter opem Altissimi dicto domino nostro regi, si sincero animo postuletur, in suâ justiciâ non deesse ; et devota fidelium deprecacio assidua animo contrito effusa multùm iram mitigat Redemptoris, et eius misericordiam provocat et inducit.

Propter quod missas, processiones, et alias devotas oraciones in omnibus monasteriis, ecclesiis, et locis religiosis nostre diocesis fore decernimus faciendas, vobis mandantes, etc., with grant of forty days' indulgence.—Southwark, 11 April, 1372.

[68 a.] Similar letters were sent to the archdeacon of Winchester and prior of St. Swithun's.

Grant of administration of the goods of Thomas atte Chambre, a servant of Elizabeth de Juleres, countess of Kent, to Robert de Raundes, v. of Bedhampton (vol. i, p. 43).—Southwark, 14 April.

License of non residence for one year granted to Raundes in order to be in attendance on the countess.

Mandate from Bernard de Agrifolio, prior of St. Martin de Campis at Pisa, to levy a procuration for Bertrand de Veyraco on a mission to England, by authority of the following bull. All ecclesiastics to whom the mandate shall come are enjoined to pay Bertrand or bearer his expenses at the rate of two gold

florins of Florence daily. Receipt by Bertrand for the sum of 18*s.* sterling for the expenses of his three days' stay in the diocese. Dated London, 14 April, 1372.

Gregorius episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis filiis priori S. Martini de Campis Pisiensis, ac Avinionensi et Londoniensi officialibus, salutem et apostolicam benediccionem. Cum dilectum filium, nobilem virum Bertrandum de Veyraco, domicellum et familiarem nostrum, latorem presencium, ad nonnullas partes pro quibusdam publicis negociis per nos sibi commissis presencialiter destinemus: discrecioni vestre per apostolica scripta mandamus, quatenus vos vel duo aut unus vestrûm per vos vel alium seu alios eidem Bertrando diebus singulis a venerabilibus fratribus nostris archiepiscopis et episcopis, ac dilectis filiis electis, abbatibus, prioribus, decanis, prepositis, archidiaconis, archipresbyteris, plebanis, officialibus, rectoribus, et aliis ecclesiarum et monasteriorum prelatis, ipsorumque vicegerentibus, ac personis ecclesiasticis, secularibus et regularibus, ac ecclesiarum et monasteriorum capitulis et conventibus, exemptis et non exemptis, Cisterciensis, Cluniacensis, Premonstratensis, Camaldulensis, SS. Benedicti et Augustini, ac aliorum ordinum, necnon domorum hospitalium S. Johannis Ierosolomitani, beate Marie Theotonicorum, Calatravensium, et Humiliatorum magistris, prioribus, et preceptoribus, in duobus florenis auri boni de Florenciâ pro expensis suis necessariis et de securo conductu, cum ipsi super premissis per eundem Bertrandum vel eius nuncium fuerint requisiti, in eundo, morando, et ad nos redeundo faciatis auctoritate nostrâ integrè provideri, non obstantibus si eisdem archiepiscopis, episcopis, electis, abbatibus, et aliis prelatis ac personis ecclesiasticis, vel quibusvis aliis communiter vel divisim a sede apostolicâ sit indultum quod familiaribus seu nunciis dicte sedis aut quibuscunque aliis procuracionem aliquam exhibere minimè teneantur, et ad id compelli, aut quod interdici, suspendi, vel excommunicari non possint per literas apostolicas non facientes plenam et expressam ac de verbo ad verbo de indulto huiusmodi mencionem, sive quibuslibet privilegiis et indulgenciis apostolicis quibusvis personis, locis, et ordinibus sub quâvis formâ vel expressione verborum ab eâdem sede concessis, de quibus, quorumque totis tenoribus de verbo ad verbum in nostris literis similis mencio sit habenda, et per que presens

mandatum nostrum valeat quomodolibet impediri, presentibus usque ad Kalendas Junii proximè secuturi tantummodo valituris. Dat. Avinione, vj Kal. Feb., anno pontificatûs nostri secundo.

[**69 b.**] License of non residence for two years granted to William Rodes, r. of Shalfleet (vol. i, p. 54), in order to be in attendance on the earl of Salisbury.—Southwark, 27 April, 1372.

Appointment of advocate in Consistory Court :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio, domino Johanni Burbache, presbytero, s. g. et b. Tue sciencie prudenciam attendentes, ut in consistorio nostro Wyntoniensi possis postulandi officium licitè exercere, quâcunque constitucione sinodali in hâc parte editâ non obstante, tecum auctoritate pontificali tenore presencium dispensamus, et licenciam concedimus specialem, quousque eam duxerimus revocandam ; officiali nostro principali mandantes, quatenus te ad dictum officium inibi exercendum admittat, et juxta tue probitatis merita te pertractet.—Esher, 21 May.

Letter to abbess and convent of Romsey, desiring them at the request of William, earl of Pembroke, to receive his kinswoman, dame Elizabeth de Berkele, during her husband's absence on service.[1]

Willelmus, etc., dilectis in Christo filiabus, etc., s. g. et b. Nobilis vir dominus Willelmus, comes Pembroch, suis nobis literis supplicavit vobis nostras dirigere literas speciales pro nobili et generosâ dominâ, dominâ Elizabet de Berkele, cognatâ comitis antedicti, quod infra monasterium vestrum in loco honesto perhendinare possit pro suo racionabiliter vobis dando, dum dominus Mauricius Wytht, maritus ipsius domine, in comitivâ prefati comitis morari contigerit in partibus transmarinis.

Nos, ipsius precibus annuentes, ut prefatam dominam ad perhendinandum in monasterio vestro cum familiâ morigeratâ et honestâ, si vobis videritis expedire, licitè possitis admittere pro tempore huiusmodi absencie dicti mariti sui, dummodo religioni

[1] The Earl of Pembroke was sent to relieve Rochelle, but his ships were taken and burnt by a Spanish fleet on Midsummer eve, 1372, and he was made a prisoner.—*Wals.*, i, p. 314.

seu domui vestre per hoc nullum dispendium generetur, licenciam vobis tenore presencium concedimus specialem, quâcunque inhibicione vobis per nos datâ in contrarium non obstante ; vos ad id non artantes, set super admissione huiusmodi vos vestris discrecioni et proprie voluntatis libero arbitrio duximus relinquendum.—Southwark, 29 May, 1372.

A similar letter was sent to the abbess and convent of Wherwell.

[70 a.] Dispensation *super defectu natalium* to Thomas atte Milne, clk. ; the indulgence granted by cardinal Stephen, tit. S. Eusebii, papal penitancer.—*Ib.*, 30 August.

[70 b.] Certificate of search in the Register of bp. Orlton for the orders of Robert Brok :—

Noverint universi quod nos Willelmus, etc., registra bone memorie domini Ade, dudum Wyntoniensis episcopi, predecessoris nostri, de ordinibus in diocese Wyntoniensi suo tempore celebratis facientes solicitè perscrutari, in eisdem inter cetera repperimus, quod Johannes tunc Herefordensis episcopus[1] die Sabbati quatuor temporum in vigiliâ S. Trinitatis, videlicet vicesimo primo die mensis Maii, anno domini millesimo cccxlv^to^, in ecclesiâ parochiali de Odyham, Wyntoniensis diocesis, ordines de licenciâ ac vice et auctoritate dicti domini Ade, Wyntoniensis episcopi, celebrans generales, Robertum Brok, rectorem ecclesie de Farneburghe, Bathon. et Wellen. diocesis, literas dimissorias sui diocesani sibi exhibentem in diaconum ordinavit.—*Ib.* 11 June.

Discharge of executors of William de Mideltone, r. of Michelstowe.[2]—Same date.

[71 a.] Abbot of Hyde enjoined to collect the first moiety of the second year of the triennial tenth in the city and archdeaconry of Winchester within fifteen days after receipt of the bishop's mandate, and to remit the money to the Exchequer.—Highclere, 22 June.

A similar letter was sent to abbot and convent of Waverley, collectors for archdeaconry of Surrey.

[1] John Trilleck, 1343–61.
[2] He died at Carshalton, leaving assets within the diocese.

Proceedings at election of abbot of Netley[1]:—

In Dei nomine, Amen. Anno ab incarnacione Domini secundum cursum et computacionem ecclesie anglicane millesimo CCC LXXJ indiccione X, mensis marcii die secundâ, pontificatûs sanctissimi in Christo patris et domini, domini Gregorii, divinâ providenciâ pape undecimi, anno secundo, in mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presenciâ, in domo capitulari monasterii de Lettele, coram religioso viro f. Johanne, abbate monasterii de Bello Loco Regis, ibidem personaliter sedente, constitutus f. Henricus de Inglesham, abbas eiusdem loci electus, omni juri quod habuit in officio abbathiatûs predicti renunciavit vivâ voce, et ipsum officium in manus dicti f. Johannis de Bello Loco resignavit.

Qui f. Johannes abbas ad instantem rogatum dicti f. Henrici dictas resignacionem et renunciacionem admisit, et protestabatur idem f. Henricus, quod non intendebat per premissa privilegiis immunitatibus et exempcionibus ordinis Cisterciensis concessis a sede apostolicâ contravenire vel eciam derogare, set ipsis voluit et dixit in omnibus adherere; et hiis pactis ff. Johannes Stanlake, tunc prior, Johannes Stelharde,[2] cellerarius, Johannes Bottele, subprior, Henricus de Wynton, Philippus Cornhamptone,[3] et Johannes Cadewelle, monachi de Lettele predictâ, ibidem tunc congregati, prefatum f. Henricum de Inglesham in abbatem suum iterum elegerunt unanimiter et unâ voce.

Qui quidem f. Henricus electus diu restitit eleccioni predicte, et tandem devictus precibus dictorum eligencium eleccioni de ipso sic facte consensit, ac venerabilis pater f. Johannes abbas Belli Loci Regis dictam eleccionem juxta statuta et privilegia dicti ordinis confirmavit tunc ibidem, et ipsum f. Henricum ad ecclesiam conventualem de Lettele duxit, et ipsum in stallo abbatis collocavit, posuit, et installavit.

Acta sunt hec, etc.

[72 a.] Indulgence for such as should subscribe to rebuild S. Rumwold's, Winchester:—

Universis sancte matris ecclesie filiis presentes literas inspecturis Willelmus, etc., salutem in omnium Salvatore. Sanctorum

[1] Henry Inglesham, vol. i, p. 40.
[2] Afterwards abbot, vol. i, p. 52. [3] Afterwards abbot, vol. i, p. 163.

basilicas dirutas et deformatas, quarum possessiones nutu divino paupertatis vulnere percelluntur, reficere et reformare gratum Deo fore credimus et acceptum, in quibus Dei Filius, Incarnatus Deo Patri, pro omnibus fidelibus pontificum et aliorum sacerdotum manibus immolatur.

Cumque ecclesia parochialis S. Rumwoldi confessoris in civitate Wynton. constructa murorum ruinis sit, ut accepimus, deformata, ad quorum construccionem et reparacionem rectoris et parochianorum ipsius ecclesie proprie non suppetunt facultates: nos de Dei omnipotentis misericordiâ, etc. (grant of forty days' indulgence).—Wolvesey, 24 June, 1372.

[74 a.] Sequestration of Worting rectory for arrears of the last subsidy.—*Ib.*, 4 August.

[72 b.] John de Ware and John de Kelleseye commissioned to institute proceedings against John Foun, the rector, who is accused of breaches of the seventh commandment, and breach of above sequestration.—*Ib.*, 9 August.

[74 a.] Citation of Foun for non-residence and non-payment of the subsidy; followed by sequestration.—*Ib.*, 14 August.

[97 b.] Commission to proceed against Foun:—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis Johanni de Ware et Johanni Uphulle de Wonsyngtone et Havonte ecclesiarum, nostre diocesis, rectoribus, s. g. et b. Famâ publicâ divulgante ad nostrum pervenit auditum, quod quidem Johannes dictus Foun, asserens se presbyterum, nostre diocesis nullatenus oriundus, nec beneficiatus in eâdem, nobis ignotus, missas et alia divina officia absque literis commendaciciis episcopi loci originis sue in nostrâ diocesi celebrare presumpsit temere et inconsultè, et nichilominus, mala malis adiciens, sequestrum nostrum ex causis justis et veris in bonis ecclesiasticis de Wortynge, dicte diocesis, legitimè interpositum, et in eâdem ecclesiâ et locis vicinis solempniter publicatum, calcatâ reverenciâ injustè violare presumpsit, et sic nostrum preceptum in hâc parte canonicum illicitè contempsit, maioris excommunicacionis summam contra violatores huiusmodi sequestrorum in provinciâ Cantuariensi post et contra publicacionem eorum palam factam in locis, quibus bona sic sequestrata consistunt, a sanctis patribus latam incurrens dampnabiliter ipso facto.

Et hiis malis plura nequiter accumulans, quandam Johannam in fornicariis amplexibus per non modica tempora in nostrâ diocesi tenuit atque tenet eciam in presenti; eam ibidem pluries cognoscendo, et alios quamplures excessus dampnabiles in eâdem diocesi publicè et notoriè committere non expavit, qui grave peperit scandalum et aliis Christi fidelibus exemplum tribuit perniciosum.

Nos, volentes huiusmodi enormia Deo et hominibus odibilia de nostre jurisdiccionis finibus extirpare, ad cognoscendum, procedendum, et statuendum ex officio nostro contra dictum Johannem ad ipsius anime correccionem super omnibus et singulis articulis supradictis, et eorum circumstanciis, huiusmodi quoque dicti Johannis crimina contemptûs et excessûs corrigendum et canonicè puniendum, cum suis emergentibus, dependentibus, et connexis, ac dicto Johanni super predictis justiciam in omnibus exhibendum, vobis communiter et divisim tenore presencium committimus vices nostras, cum cuiuslibet cohercionis canonice et exequendi, que in hâc parte decreveritis, potestate.

Mandantes quatenus, premissis per vos expeditis, nos de toto processu vestro super hiis habito atque gesto clarè et plenè certificetis, seu certificet alter vestrûm, qui premissa fuerit executus, literis vestris suisve patentibus sigillo autentico aut signo et subscripcione notarii publici apostolici communitis.—Overton, 20 July, 1372.

[73.] Citation of mayor and bailiffs of Winchester for appropriating sites of ruined churches:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio decano civitatis Wyntoniensis s. g. et b. Famâ publicâ referente ad nostram audienciam jam pervenit, quod maior et ballivi civitatis Wyntoniensis diversa cimiteria et loca ecclesiastica et Deo dedicata, in quibus ecclesie S. Petroci, S. Martini in muris, et S. Nicholai, dicte civitatis, fuerant constitute, et in aliis locis eiusdem civitatis, ubi parochiales ecclesie olim fuerant situate et Deo dedicate, et alia loca ad easdem ecclesias pertinencia ab antiquo, ad manus suas noviter et voluntariè susceperunt, omnes fructus, redditus, et proventus de huiusmodi locis ecclesiarum predictarum pervenientes percipiunt, et per non modica tempora perceperunt et percipiunt in presenti, nullo jure speciali nec auctoritate suffici-

enti, nostrâ licenciâ super hoc non petitâ nec obtentâ, in sancte matris ecclesie prejudicium, et libertatis ecclesiastice violacionem manifestam; cum nulla sit laicis de rebus ecclesie disponendis tributa facultas, quibus manet necessitas obsequendi. Que propter ipsorum maioris et ballivorum animorum periculum imminens ex premissis nequimus, sicuti non debemus, oculis conniventibus tollerare.

Tibi igitur in virtute obediencie firmiter injungimus et mandamus, quatenus cites seu citari facias peremptoriè maiorem et ballivos predictos, quod compareant coram nobis vel nostro commissario in ecclesiâ nostrâ Cathedrali Wyntoniensi die mercurii proximo post festum S. Augustini Doctoris[1] proximè nunc futuro super predictis articulis eis, et eorum cuilibet, ex officio nostro ad animarum suarum correccionem objiciendis, responsuris, et de veritate dicendâ super premissis personaliter juraturis, facturis quoque ulteriùs et recepturis in premissis, quod justicia suadebit.—Same date.

[73 a.] Peter, archbp. of Bourges, to Arnald Gernerii, nuncio to England, with the following bull of Gregory XI, reserving first fruits[2] of benefices conferred by provision of the Apostolic See:—

Gregorius episcopus, servus servorum Dei, ad futuram rei memoriam. Dum incumbencia camere nostre apostolice onera expensarum, et ad ipsius diminucionem proventuum attendimus, cogimur vias et modos exquirere honestos, quibus possumus dicte camere necessitatibus subvenire. Ea propter fructus, redditus, et proventus unius anni omnium et singulorum beneficiorum ecclesiasticorum, secularium et regularium, cum curâ et sine curâ, exemptorum et non exemptorum, eciam si dignitates, personatus, vel officia, et eciam si canonicatus et porciones ecclesiarum, in quibus certus canonicorum numerus vel prebendarum distinccio non habetur existant, de quibus a tempore, quo Divinâ disponente clemenciâ ad apicem fuimus summi

[1] 28 August.

[2] "First fruits," says Ayliffe (*Parergon*, p. 65), "are as old as the time of Ina, king of the West Saxons, and are quaintly said to be the tithe of tithe, such as Aaron the high priest took of the other priests. Clement V (1305–16) levied them on such benefices in England as he conferred; but they came to be imposed on all benefices by degrees, and so continued a source of income to the Apostolic See, uutil they were annexed to the Crown by Stat. 26 Hen. VIII, c. 3."

apostolatûs assumpti, providimus seu specialiter provideri mandavimus, seu quorum collaciones, instituciones, seu elecciones confirmavimus seu confirmari mandavimus, aut, certis impedimentis expressis vel obstantibus, valere decrevimus, de quibus usque ad tres annos a datâ presencium computandos providebimus seu provideri specialiter mandabimus, et quorum collaciones, instituciones, seu elecciones confirmabimus seu confirmari mandabimus, aut, certis impedimentis expressis non obstantibus, valere decrevimus, necnon eciam huiusmodi beneficiorum que a tempore promocionis nostre vacaverunt, et expectantes auctoritate literarum nostrarum sub quâcunque, preterquam in pauperum formâ, concessarum, legitimè acceptârunt, et usque ad predictos tres annos vacabunt, et expectantes ipsum, preterquam in dictâ pauperum formâ, canonicè acceptabunt, ad instar nonnullorum Romanorum pontificum predecessorum nostrorum disposicioni apostolice reservamus, illosque predicte camere nostre pro huiusmodi oneribus commodiùs supportandis applicamus; decernentes irritum et inane si secus de illis per aliquem seu aliquos attemptatum forsan est hactenus vel imposterum contigerit ordinari.

Volumus autem quod dicta camera, vel illi qui per eam ad colleccionem fructuum, reddituum, ac proventuum huiusmodi deputabuntur, non omnes integros fructus dicti primi anni, sed eorum partem, illam videlicet unumquodque ipsorum beneficiorum taxatum est ad decimam vel residuum super quo eidem camere a deputatis ab eâ relinquimus opcionem vel medietatem fructuum beneficii cuiuslibet, quod taxatum forsan non est ad decimam, seu eciam si fuerit, canonicatus et porciones in ecclesiis, in quibus certus canonicorum numerus vel distinccio prebendarum non habeatur, medietatem emolumentorum, que canonicus noviter provisus percipiet, si in ecclesiâ ipsâ personaliter resideret, distribucionibus panis et vini exceptis, exigant et recipiant; aliâ parte dumtaxat seu residuo fructuum predictorum obtinentibus beneficia ipsi pro debitis exhibendis serviciis et eorum oneribus supportandis reservatis.

Quodque si ex privilegio, consuetudine, seu statuto fructus beneficiorum vacancium primi anni ecclesiarum fabricis aut defuncto debentur seu hiis vel aliis essent usibus applicandi, camera predicta illos juxta modum expressum superiùs, pre-

missis non obstantibus, percipiet primo anno. Illi vero quibus fructus primi anni ex consuetudine, privilegio, seu statuto, ut premittitur, debentur, illos sequenti anno percipiant, sicut primo anno erant percepturi si predicta nostra reservacio non obstaret.

Quodque si infra eundem annum bis vel pluries beneficium vacare contingat, fructus talis beneficii non propterea bis vel pluries set semel dumtaxat per dictam cameram percipiantur modis et formis, quibus superiùs est expressum.

Ut autem huiusmodi fructus, redditus, et proventus meliùs et commodiùs exigi valeant, volumus quod camerarius noster per collectores fructuum et proventuum eidem camere apostolice debitorum dictos fructus, redditus, et proventus exigi predicte camere nomine faciat et levari, contradictores per censuram ecclesiasticam appellacione postpositâ compescendo, non obstantibus exempcionibus aut quibusvis aliis privilegiis, graciis, seu literis apostolicis quibuscunque personis aut locis sub quâcunque formâ vel expressione verborum ab eâdem sede concessis, eciam si de illis esset specialis et expressa ac de verbo ad verbum in presentibus mencio facienda, que nulli volumus in hâc parte aliquatenus suffragari.

Nulli verò omnino homini liceat hanc paginam nostre reservacionis, applicacionis, constitucionis, et voluntatis infringere, vel ei ausu temerario contraire. Si quis autem hoc attemptare presumpserit, indignacionem Omnipotentis Dei et beatorum Petri et Pauli apostolorum se noverit intercursurum.—Avinione, xv Kal. Mart., pontificatûs nostri anno primo.

[75a.] Archdeacons enjoined to collect a farthing in the mark on the "taxacio" or assessment of benefices towards a sum of 333 florins[1] laid on the province of Canterbury, to provide twelve florins a day for the bishop of Carpentras during his mission to England as nuncio, pursuant to following bull:—

Gregorius episcopus, etc., venerabilibus fratribus patriarchis, archiepiscopis, episcopis, et dilectis filiis electis, abbatibus, prioribus, decanis, prepositis, archidiaconis, archipresbyteris, plebanis,[2] rectoribus, et aliis ecclesiarum et monasteriorum prelatis,

[1] Floreni aurei de camerâ, florins de chambre. These were coined by John XXII, *circa* 1322, and were of the same weight and fineness as florins of Florence. Value 3*s*.

[2] Rural deans.

ipsorumque vices gerentibus, capitulis quoque et conventibus ecclesiarum et monastèriorum ipsorum, ceterisque personis ecclesiasticis, secularibus et regularibus, exemptis et non exemptis, Cisterciensis, Cluniacensis, Premonstratensis, Camaldulensis, sanctorum Benedicti et Augustini, et aliorum ordinum, et domorum hospitalium, S. Johannís Ierosolomitani et S. Marie Theotonicorum, Calatravensium, et Humiliatorum magistris, prioribus, preceptoribus, ad quos presentes litere pervenerint, salutem et apostolicam benediccionem.

Cum venerabilem fratrem nostrum Guillermum, episcopum Carpentoracensem, apostolice sedis nuncium, ad Francie et Anglie regna pro quibusdam arduis negociis per nos ei commissis personaliter destinemus, universitatem vestram attentè rogamus et hortamur, vobis per apostolica scripta mandantes, quatenus eundem nuncium, cum per partes vestras transitum fecerit, ob reverenciam sedis apostolice et nostram benignè recipientes et honorifice pertractantes, sibi, huiusmodi negociorum prosecucione durante, diebus singulis in duodecim florenis auri de camerâ pro expensis suis necessariis et de securo conductu, necnon de eveccionibus[1] oportunis, si sue forsan in viâ decesserint aut defecerint, vel aliàs fuerint impedite, cum super premissis per eum vel eius nuncium fueritis requisiti.

Vobis tamen quamprimum fieri comodè poterit eveccionibus restituendis eisdem eundo, morando, et redeundo liberaliter providere curetis.

Et si eundem episcopum in aliquibus terris sive locis vestris ex aliquâ justâ causâ moram trahere forte contigerit, volumus quod non solum vos, prelati et persone ecclesiastice terrarum et locorum ipsorum, set eciam vos, archiepiscopi, episcopi, electi, abbates, priores, decani, prepositi, archipresbyteri, plebani, rectores, et alii ecclesiarum et monasteriorum prelati seu vestri vices gerentes, ac persone ecclesiastice, religiosi ac seculares, ac ecclesiarum et monasteriorum ipsorum capitula et conventus, exempti et non exempti, Cisterciensis, Cluniacensis, Catursiensis, Premonstratensis, SS. Benedicti et Augustini, et aliorum ordinum quorumcunque, necnon S. Johannis Ierosolomitani et beate Marie Theotonicorum hospitalium magistri, rectores, et preceptores vicariarum et aliarum civitatum et diocesium circumpositarum,

[1] Draught horses.

sicut idem episcopus pro huiusmodi dividendis et faciliùs supportandis oneribus expedire viderit in provisionibus et subvencionibus contribuere teneamini antefatis. Sic igitur mandatum nostrum huiusmodi efficaciter adimplere curetis, quod devocionem vestram exinde commendare meritò valeamus.

Alioquin summam, quam idem Guillermus per se vel alium seu alios tulerit in rebelles, super quo sibi plenam tenore presencium auctoritate apostolicâ concedimus potestatem, ratam habuimus et faciemus, auctore Domino, usque satisfaccionem condignam inviolabiliter observari.

Non obstante si vobis vel vestrûm alicui aut aliquibus vel quibusvis aliis seu locis et ordinibus vestris, communiter vel divisim, a predictâ sit sede indultum, quod nunciis ipsius sedis procuracionem aliquam exhibere, vel in eâ contribuere, nisi ad vos declinaverunt, minimè teneamini, et ad id compelli, quod interdici, suspendi vel excomunicari non possitis per literas apostolicas non faciendas plenam et expressam ac de verbo in verbum de indulto huiusmodi mencionem, et quibuslibet privilegiis et indulgenciis ac literis apostolicis quibuscunque locis, personis, vel ordinibus sub quâcunque formâ et expressione verborum ab eâdem concessâ, de quibus quorumque totis tenoribus de verbo ad verbum nostris literis mencio sit habenda, et per que presentis nostri mandati effectus valeat quomodolibet impediri. — Avinione, viij Id. Mart., pontificatûs nostri anno secundo.

[77 a.] Prayers for the King's expedition to Rochelle :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio archidiacono nostro Wynton. vel eius officiali, s. g. et b. Virtutis pondus oracio non habet, quam nequaquam amoris continui perseverancia comitatur. Veraciter enim orare, beato *Gregorio* attestante, amaros in compunccione gemitus in cordis intimis effundere, et non solum verba composita resonare ; cumque excellentissimus in Christo princeps et dominus noster, dominus Edwardus, etc., eciam pro defensione et tuicione ecclesie regni Anglicani, cuius prosperitas nobis et toti regno gaudium et securitatem preparat, non parcendo suis corpori proprio et expensis ad propulsandam injuriam ecclesie et regno predictis per hostes exteros attemptatis et illatis, et qui se parant inferre indies injurias graviores, cum suis filiis et aliis

fidelibus suis noviter sit profectus,[1] pro quorum omnium prosperitate et salute missas, processiones, elemosinarum largiciones in nostris ecclesiâ, civitate, et diocesi Wynton. fore decrevimus solempniter faciendas, et ad premissa exequenda per literas dicti domini regis ac nobilissimi principis domini Edwardi, principis Wallie, filii sui primogeniti, sumus specialiter exortati, quarum literarum regiarum tenor est talis, *Edwardus . . . quamvis occasione recuperandi hereditarii juris nostri*, etc., nos zelantes contenta in dictis literis cum omni devocione et celeritate execucioni debite demandari, vobis in virtute obediencie, quâ nobis tenemur, firmiter injungimus et mandamus, quatenus omnia et singula superscripta ad noticiam plenam omnium et singulorum prelatorum ecclesiarum, rectorum, vicariorum, capellanorum, et omnium aliorum de clero et populo archidiaconatûs et civitatis Wyntoniensis faciatis produci cum omni celeritate oportunâ.

Et eos auctoritate nostrâ moneatis et efficaciter inducatis, moneri et induci faciatis, ut singulis quartis et sextis feriis processiones solempnes, missarum officia, in suis ecclesiis celebrent et faciant celebrari; clerici quoque non sacerdotes vij psalmos penitenciales cum letaniis, laici quoque oracionem Dominicam cum salutacione gloriose virginis Marie dicant, jejuniis, elemosinarum largicionibus, et aliis pie devocionis operibus instanter insistant, et non desistant Dei misericordiam humiliter implorantes pro predicti domini regis, filiorum suorum, et omnium aliorum cum eis in predicto negocio profecturorum aut aliter cause sue predicte justiciam prosequencium statu prospero et felici, ut ipse Deus eorum iter et actus in suo beneplacito dirigat, et ad sui nominis honorem salutarem effectum assumpti per ipsos propositi eis impendat.

Et ut devocionem fidelium, etc. (grant of forty days indulgence).—Wolvesey, 28 Aug., 1372.

[**77 b.**] License of non-residence for one year granted to ds. Richard,[2] r. of St. Faith's, Winchester, in order to be in attendance on ds. Thomas Perot, r. of Wickham.—Wolvesey, 13 Aug.

Certificate of search for record of a commission directed to the archbp. of York, in the matter of the exchange between

[1] The king's expedition to relieve Rochelle in August, 1372, which failed owing to contrary winds.—*Walsingham*, i, p. 315.

[2] Richard Laurence, vol. i, p. 119.

Roger de Cloune and Richard de Lyntesforde (vol. i, p. 30).—*Ib.*, 4 Sept., 1372.

[78 a.] Commission appointing John de Huphull and others to hear and determine a cause of divorce promoted by Adam atte Crouche against Agnes Dawe.—*Ib.*, 18 Sept.

Summons to Convocation in the quindene of St. Michael.—*Ib.*, 18 Sept.

Monition directed to abbess and convent of Romsey to pay a pension of 6*s.* 8*d.*, due for the prebend known as "portion of St. Laurence," within six days. In default, citation to shew cause.—*Ib.*, 22 Sept.

Notarial exemplification of a release to the bishop by Godfrey Cyfrewast of the reversion to the manor of More Critchel, expectant on the death of his mother Matilda, widow of Sir Roger Cyfrewast, knt. The release attested by Sir Bernard Brocas, Sir Hugh Camoys, and Sir Philip de Popham, kts.; Walter Haywode, John Warblyntone, Peter de Bruges, Stephen Hayne, Henry Wattisforde, John Fauconer, William Puttone, and others not named.—Same date.

[193 a.] Grant by John Corf, clk., to Sir Thomas de Hungerforde, kt., and others, of the said Matilda Cyfrewast's life interest.—Sarum, 16 Sept., 1382.

[79 a.] Mandate to cite the archdeacon of Winchester's official for acting pending the bishop's visitation, which the bishop's official had prorogued owing to the disturbed state of the country:—

Dictus quoque officialis noster, considerans et attendens pericula et discrimina viarum, et incursus hostium et predonum in partibus nostre diocesis, et presertim in archidiaconatu Wyntoniensi, modernis temporibus plus solitò imminere, dies visitacionum suarum huiusmodi ex dictis causis et aliis veris et legitimis ad alios terminos non multum distantes prorogavit...—*Ib.*, 28 Sept.

[79b.] Levy (arraiacio) of clergy in deanery of Droxford:—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis priori ecclesie conventualis de Suthwyk, decano de Drokenesforde, ac rectoribus ecclesiarum

de Suthwaltham et Alwarstoke, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Breve domini nostri regis tercio die mensis Julii, anno Domini infrascripto, recepimus, tenorem continens subsequentem *Edwardus . . . . . Quia pro certo jam didicimus, quod Gallici inimici nostri*, etc., ut inter alia brevia regia pleniùs continetur :

Vobis igitur auctoritate nostrâ ordinariâ committimus et firmiter injungendo mandamus, quatenus necessitate ac periclis in dicto brevi superiùs enarratis, in foribus imminentibus, ponderatis tenerrimè et attentis, omnes et singulos abbates, priores, religiosos, et alias personas ecclesiasticas quascunque decanatûs predicti, omni excusacione postpositâ, armari et arraiari et armis competentibus, juxta statum et facultates suas et secundum valorem possessionum et beneficiorum suorum, et uniuscuiusque eiusdem, muniri, et eos in millenis, centenis, et vintenis poni faciatis ; ita quod prompti sint et parati cum aliis fidelibus domini nostri regis contra dictos inimicos infra regnum Anglie, ad ipsos cum Dei adjutorio debellandos et destruendos, et ad maliciam et pertinaciam eorundem propulsandum et conterendum, et super hiis debitè, fideliter, et celeriter exequendum, omnem diligenciam, quâcunque negligenciâ depositâ et ammotâ, prudenter et sagaciter apponatis, ac premissa omnia et singula, sicut honorem Dei et ecclesie, regis, et regni Anglie zelatis, infra octo dierum spacium a die recepcionis presencium continuè numerandorum exequi efficaciter studeatis.

Vos eciam, et quemlibet vestrum, firmiter oneramus et hortamur, quatenus juxta statum et facultates vestras ac valorem possessionum et beneficiorum vestrorum vos cum armis competentibus muniatis et paretis, ita quod sitis prompti et parati contra dictos inimicos huiusmodi regni ad eos, unà cum aliis fidelibus eiusdem regni, debellandos, repulsandos, et conterendos, juxta omnem vim, formam, et effectum harum literarum nostrarum ; et ordinetis personas predictas in formâ congruâ et decenti, et designetis in scriptis clarè et distinctè, per rotulos vel quaternos, nomina et cognomina omnium et singulorum, abbatum, priorum, religiosorum, et aliarum personarum ecclesiasticarum quarumcunque decanatuum predictorum sic armatorum, et qualiter sunt arraiati et armati ac muniti, et nobis ea in scriptis transmittatis celeriter et integrè, sub vestris sigillis ; et taliter super hiis vos geratis, ne per vestrum torporem seu negli-

genciam nobis aut vobis ulla culpa per aliquem valeat racionabiliter imputari.—Highclere, 3 July, 1372.

Grant by provost and chaplains of St. Elizabeth's College to the bishop and his successors of a pension of 13*s.* 4*d.*, when the bishop restored to them the rectory house at Hursley :—

Universis sancte matris ecclesie filiis presentes literas inspecturis Johannes de Sheptone, prepositus, et capellani capelle Sancte Elizabet juxta Wynton., salutem in omnium Salvatore. Cum dudum bone memorie Johannes de Pontissara, episcopus Wyntoniensis, ecclesiam parochialem de Hurselegh, Wynton. dio., cum suis juribus et pertinenciis universis, preposito et capellanis capelle predicte appropriaverit, annexerit, et unierit ex certis causis et legitimis sibi et successoribus suis prepositis et capellanis in usus proprios perpetuò possidendam, quas appropriacionem, annexionem, et unionem sic factas felicis recordacionis Willelmus, nuper Wynton. episcopus defunctus, ratificavit, confirmavit, et auctoritate pontificali approbavit, et mansum rectorie eiusdem ecclesie pro inhabitacione suâ, cum ad partes illas declinaverit, eidem domino Willelmo et successoribus suis episcopis Wynton. nos prepositus et capellani donavimus et concessimus perpetuò possidendum ; ac jam venerabilis pater dominus Willelmus, Dei graciâ nunc Wynton. episcopus, de consilio et assensu capituli sui, dictum mansum rectorie prefate ecclesie de Hurselegh ex certis causis et legitimis nobis et successoribus nostris reconcesserit, redonaverit, et reassignaverit perpetuò possidendum.

Nos, volentes indempnitati ecclesie Wynton. et dicti domini Wynton. episcopi et successorum suorum, episcoporum Wyntoniensium qui pro tempore fuerint, in hâc parte prospicere et congruè providere, de communi consensu et assensu nostro dicto venerabili patri et successoribus suis episcopis Wynton. annuam pensionem tredecim solidorum et quatuor denariorum in recompensacionem emolumenti quod idem reverendus pater et successores sui Wynton. episcopi possent de dicto manso rectorie ecclesie prelibate, si concessio et donacio mansi predicti nobis facte non essent, percipere annuatim, dicto venerabili patri et successoribus suis, vel thesaurario de Wolveseye dicti patris et successorum suorum nomine in festo Annunciacionis Dominice singulis annis in castro de Wolveseye concedimus persolvendum.

Ad quam quidem solucionem annuam fideliter, ut premittitur, faciendam, obligamus nos et successores nostros ac omnia bona capelle predicte, ac nos et ea purè, simpliciter, et absolutè submittimus cohercioni et districcioni dicti patris et successorum predictorum, ita quod liceat dicto reverendo patri et successoribus suis, episcopis Wynton., et nos ad huiusmodi pensionis annue solucionem integrè faciendum, tam per sequestracionem fructuum eiusdem ecclesie et aliorum bonorum nostrorum, quam per alias censuras ecclesiasticas, quociens opus fuerit, compellere cum effectu.—Winchester, 1 Oct., 1372.

[**80 a.**] Mandate to archdeacon of Surrey to announce the postponement of convocation to morrow of All Souls:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio archidiacono nostro Surreiensi vel eius officiali s. g. et b. Breve domini regis recepimus in hec verba "*Edwardus*," etc. Cuius vigore brevis vobis committimus et mandamus, quatenus prorogacionem dicti parliamenti sic, ut prefertur, factam, clero archidiaconatûs predicti cum omni celeritate congruâ faciatis plenariè intimari. Vosque archidiaconum prelibatum tenore presencium premunimus, et per vos clerum eiusdem archidiaconatûs premuniri volumus et mandamus, quod vos in propriâ personâ idemque clerus per unum procuratorem idoneum apud Westmonasterium in dicto crastino animarum intersitis et intersit, ad faciendum et consenciendum hiis, que tunc de consilio dicti regni contigerit ordinari.

Et quid feceritis in premissis, unà cum nomine et cognomine dicti cleri electi, nos citra festum omnium sanctorum certificetis literis vestris patentibus, habentibus hunc tenorem.—Farnham, 8 Oct.

[**80 b.**] Commission directed by the bishop, as conservator of the privileges of friars-minors[1] in England, to m. John de Irtelyngburgh, archdeacon of Bedford, John Blaunchard, archdeacon of Worcester, and John de Coleforde, archdeacon of Wilts, to hear a complaint by the convent of friars-minors at Stamford against John de Burtone, v. of Exton, Rutland, John Holte, v. of Wermyngtone (Warmington) Northamptonshire,

[1] The bishop held this appointment in conjunction with the bishops of London and Worcester, but any one of the three had power to act.

Richard Milne, r. of Brixstoke (Brigstock), and Richard Wathe, r. of Stilyngtone (Stillington), Hunts, pursuant to the following bull of Benedict XII.—Southwark, 10 April, 1372.

Benedictus episcopus, servus servorum Dei, venerabilibus fratribus Wyntoniensi, Londoniensi, et Wygorniensi episcopis, salutem et apostolicam benediccionem. Super egenum nuper intendentes et pauperem, et dantes operam animarum saluti, quandam inter prelatos, rectores parochialium ecclesiarum, et clerum secularem ex parte unâ, et fratres predicatorum et minorum ordinum ex alterâ, tam super predicacionibus liberè ab eisdem fratribus faciendis, et audiendis confessionibus eis peccata sua confiteri volencium, quam super canonicâ porcione et episcopali quartâ de relictis ipsis fratribus, sive in communi, sive eorum singulis, minimè detrahendâ, specialem constitucionem edidimus, prout in eâdem constitucione, que incipit *Inter cunctas*, hec et alia pleniùs et seriosiùs continentur.

Set quia parum esset jura condere, nisi qui ea tueatur existeret, nos volentes constitucionem predictam irrefragabiliter observari, fraternitati vestre per apostolica scripta mandamus, quatenus vos vel duo aut unus vestrûm per vos vel per alium seu alios fratribus dicti ordinis minorum provincie Anglie efficacis defensionis presidio assistentes ac facientes constitucionem eandem quo ad omnia eius capitula, prout jacet, firmiter observari, non permittatis contra tenorem ipsius memoratos fratres molestari a predictis prelatis, rectoribus, et clero, sive aliis, vel eis gravamina aut injurias irrogari; facturi ipsis fratribus de illatis eis injuriis, molestacionibus, et gravaminibus, ac de extortâ ab eis canonicâ porcione et quartâ episcopali predictis contra tenorem eundem, in illis videlicet, que judicialem requirunt indaginem, per viam judicii, in aliis verò, prout qualitas ipsorum exegerit, justicie complementum, ita quod officium, potestas, et jurisdiccio vestra exnunc perpetuata censeantur, molestatores et injuriatores huiusmodi, necnon contradictores et rebelles, quandocunque et quocienscunque expedierit, per censuram ecclesiasticam, appellacione postpositâ, compescendo, non obstantibus tam de duabus dietis in consilio generali, quam felicis recordacionis Bonifacii pape VIIJ, predecessoris nostri, quarum primâ cavetur, ne quis, certis exceptis casibus, extra suam civitatem et diocesim, secundâ vero, ne reus alterius diocesis ultra unam dietam a finibus eius-

dem diocesis ad judicium evocetur, et aliis quibuscunque constitucionibus a predecessoribus nostris Romanis pontificibus, tam de judicibus delegatis, quam conservatoribus aut aliis editis, que vestre possent in hâc parte jurisdiccioni aut potestati, eiusque libero exercicio, quomodolibet obviare; seu si aliquibus a sede apostolicâ sit indultum, quod excommunicari, suspendi, vel interdici non possint per literas apostolicas non facientes plenam et expressam, ac de verbo in verbum, de indulto huiusmodi mencionem, et quibuslibet aliis indulgenciis, privilegiis, et literis apostolicis quibuscunque, et in quâcunque formâ verborum concessis, per que presentibus non expressa vel totaliter non inserta dicte jurisdiccionis sive potestatis explicacio possit quomodolibet impediri, et de quibus quorumque totis tenoribus de verbo ad verbum oporteat in nostris literis fieri mencionem, eandem insuper vobis eisdem modo et formâ per omnia jurisdiccionem et potestatem concedimus circa conservacionem aliorum privilegiorum, que iidem fratres a nobis habent, vel a Romanis pontificibus hactenus habuerunt.—Romæ, apud S. Petrum, iiij Non. April., pontificatûs nostri anno primo.

[81 a.] Grant of probate of will of Joan, wife of John de Cornewayle, of St. Olave's, Southwark, to her husband.—Southwark, 5 April, 1372.

[82 a.] Grant of license to master and brethren of St. Thomas the Martyr's Hospital, Southwark, to alienate lands in East Greenwich to Adam de Bury, citizen and alderman of London, in exchange for tenements in Birchin Lane.—Esher, 1 November.

[82 b.] Prior and convent of Merton and vicar of Kingston-upon-Thames cited for dilapidations of chancels of East Moulsey, Sheen, and Thames Ditton :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio, decano de Ewell, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Famâ publicâ nunciante ad nostrum pervenit auditum, quod in cancellis capellarum de Moleseye, Shene, et Temese Dittone, nostre diocesis, ab ecclesiâ de Kyngestone super Tamesiam, eiusdem diocesis, dependencium, imminent defectus notoriè et enormes, reparacione et refeccione necessariâ indigentes, per quos divinum officium impeditur, et scandalum in

populo generatur; quorum refeccio et reparacio ad priorem et conventum prioratûs de Mertone, dictam ecclesiam cum capellis in usus proprios obtinencium (*sic*), et vicarium eiusdem ecclesie de Kyngestone, communiter pertinere dicuntur.

Nos igitur, nolentes premissa sub dissimulacionis clamide pertransire, tibi committimus et mandamus, firmiter injungentes, quatenus cites seu citari facias peremptoriè prefatos priorem et conventum, necnon vicarium prelibatum, quod compareant coram nobis, vel nostro commissario, in ecclesiâ S. Margarete de Suthwerke die veneris post festum S. Katerine virginis proximò futurâ super dictis defectibus eis et eorum cuilibet ex officio nostro ad animarum suarum correccionem ex officio nostro obiciendis responsuri, et de veritate dicendâ super certis interrogatoriis ex eis eliciendis juraturi, facturi quoque ulteriùs et recepturi in premissis, quod justicia suadebit.

Terminum autem peremptorium supradictum propter ipsorum prioris et vicarii animarum periculum cautiùs evitandum, et ne divina officia per eorum culpas et negligencias in dictis capellis diutius impediantur celebrari, et ob alias causas legitimas, sic duximus moderandum, statuendum, et eciam assignandum.

De diebus verò recepcionis presencium, etc.—Southwark, 6 Nov., 1372.

[83 a.] Discharge of Amandus Fitlynge, canon of St. Paul's, Roger Dalyngrugge and Richard Maybaunk, executors of dame Joan Cobham, deceased.—*Ib.*, 18 Nov.

Bull of Gregory XI, providing Henry de Warthulle for first vacant benefice, of a certain annual value, in gift of abbot and convent of Hyde[1]:—

Gregorius episcopus, servus servorum Dei, venerabili patri episcopo Wyntoniensi, salutem et apostolicam benediccionem. Dilecti filii Henrici de Warthulle pauperis presbyteri Eboracensis diocesis, apud sedem apostolicam constituti, supplicacionibus inclinati, fraternitati tue per apostolica scripta mandamus, quatenus de vitâ et conversacione ipsius presbyteri, qui, ut asserit,

[1] This provision did not take effect. Warthulle was instituted to Letherhead, 2 June, 1375, on the presentation of the abbot and convent of Leedes (vol. i, p. 61).

beneficium aliquod ecclesiasticum non obtinet, et quem per certos examinatores super hoc deputatos a nobis de literaturâ examinari fecimus diligenter, quique in illâ repertus est idoneus ad ecclesiasticum beneficium obtinendum, solerter inquirens, si eum vite laudabilis et honeste conversacionis esse reppereris, et aliud beneficium ecclesiasticum non obtineat, aliudque canonicum non obsistat, ei de aliquo beneficio ecclesiastico cum curâ vel sine curâ, consueto abolim clericis secularibus assignari, dummodo in ecclesiâ cathedrali non existat, cuius fructus, redditus, et proventus, si cum curâ, viginti, si verò sine curâ fuerit, quindecim marcarum sterlingorum, secundum taxacionem decime, si taxatum fuerit, vel si taxatum non fuerit, secundum quod de ipso pro decimâ communiter persolvi consuevit, valorem annuum non excedat, ad collacionem vel presentacionem dilectorum filiorum abbatis et conventûs monasterii de Hydâ . . . . communiter vel divisim pertinente, si quod in civitate vel diocese Wyntoniensi, ubi dictus presbyter perpetuam mansionem se asserit elegisse, vacat ad presens, vel cum vacaverit, quod idem presbyter infra unius mensis spacium, postquam sibi de ipsius beneficii vacacione constiterit, duxerit acceptandum, auctoritate nostrâ providere procures; inducens per te vel alium seu alios eundem presbyterum in corporalem possessionem huiusmodi beneficii, et defendens inductum, ac faciens ipsum ad illud, eciam si canonicatus et prebenda fuerit, ut est moris, admitti, sibique de ipsius beneficii fructibus, redditibus, proventibus, juribus et obvencionibus universis integrè responderi, contradictores per censuram ecclesiasticam, appellacione postpositâ, compescendo. Non obstantibus si aliqui super provisionibus sibi faciendis de huiusmodi vel aliis beneficiis ecclesiasticis in illis partibus speciales vel generales apostolice sedis vel legatorum eius, sub quâcunque verborum formâ literas impetraverint, eciam si per eas ad inhibicionem, reservacionem, et decretum, vel aliàs quomodolibet sit processum; quibus omnibus, preterquam auctoritate nostrâ huiusmodi beneficia expectantibus, in eiusdem beneficii assecucione dictum beneficium volumus anteferri.

Set nullum per hoc eis, quoad assecucionem beneficiorum aliorum, prejudicium generari, seu si eisdem abbati et conventui, vel quibusvis aliis, communiter vel divisim, ab eâdem sit sede indultum, quod ad recepcionem vel provisionem alicuius minimè

teneantur, et ad id compelli, aut quod interdici, suspendi, vel excommunicari non possint, quodque de beneficiis ecclesiasticis ad eorum collacionem vel presentacionem conjunctim vel separatim spectantibus nulli valeat provideri, per literas apostolicas non facientes plenam et expressam, ac de verbo ad verbum, de indulto huiusmodi mencionem et quâlibet aliâ dicte sedis indulgenciâ generali vel speciali, cuiuscunque tenoris existat, per quam presentibus non expressam vel totaliter non insertam effectus earum impediri valeat quovismodo vel differri, de quâ cuiusque toto tenore habenda sit in nostris literis mencio specialis.

Volumus autem, quod si tu presentes literas non potueris seu nolueris exequi, dilecti filii de Cherteseye et de Waverle monasteriorum abbates dicte tue diocesis literas ipsas ac omnia et singula in eis contenta, secundum ipsarum literarum tenorem, exequi possint et debeant, super quo eis tenore presencium mandatum damus et eciam potestatem.

Et insuper prefatis abbati et conventui, ne de huiusmodi beneficio interim, eciam ante insinuacionem presencium eis factam, et processum per eas habitorum, nisi postquam eis constiterit, quod idem presbyter beneficium huiusmodi acceptare noluerit, disponere quoquo modo presumant, districciùs inhibemus, decernentes irritum et inane, si secus super premissis a quoquam, quâvis auctoritate, scienter vel ignoranter, contigerit attemptari. — Avinione, vj Kal. Maii, pontificatûs nostri anno primo.

Decimo octavo die Novembris anno domini millesimo CCC^mo^ LXXIJ^do^, apud Suthwerke, dominus episcopus Wyntoniensis antedictus processit in negocio, et pronunciavit prefatum presbyterum habilem et idoneum, ac reservavit collacionem et investituram, et inhibuit, decrevit, monuit, et censuras promulgavit in formâ consuetâ et in talibus usitatâ, ac commisit ulteriùs vices suas ad exequendum dictum negocium abbatibus de Cherteseye et de Waverle, ac omnibus aliis abbatibus, prioribus, rectoribus, ac vicariis, et eorum cuilibet, insolidum, donec eas ad ipsum duxerit revocandas, prout patet in processu inde facto et sigillo dicti patris signato, ac manu et subscripcione m. Johannis de Essex de Herelawe, notarii publici, communito.

[83 b.] Exemplification of a bull of Urban V, forbidding for the next ten years the union of benefices :—

Urbanus episcopus, servus servorum Dei, ad perpetuam rei memoriam. Intenta salutis operibus apostolice sedis circumspecta benignitas indultâ sibi desuper potestatis plenitudine, sicut in Deo expedire conspicit, proinde utens, aliqua interdum statuit et disponit, quandoque verò suadente utilitate in melius reformat, prout animarum saluti et pro cultu divini Nominis ampliando salubre et utile fore credit.

Cum itaque, sicut nobis innotuit, quamplures hactenus de diversis prioratibus, dignitatibus, personatibus, officiis, parochialibus ecclesiis, ac aliis beneficiis ecclesiasticis facte fuerunt uniones, propter quas, si consequerentur effectum, animarum cura in illis, quibus immineret, negligeretur, cultus minueretur divinus, et multis posset prejudicium generari. Ex hiis et aliis certis causis, que ad hec racionabiliter nos inducunt, super premissis providere volentes, presentis constitucionis edicto omnes uniones, annexiones, incorporaciones, de prioratibus eciam conventualibus, dignitatibus, personatibus, officiis, porcionibus, prestimoniis,[1] ecclesiis parochialibus et ruralibus, et aliis beneficiis ecclesiasticis secularibus et regularibus quibuscunque, cum curâ et sine curâ, exemptis et non exemptis, quocunque nomine censeantur invicem, seu ecclesiis cathedralibus, monasteriis, mensis pontificalibus, abbacialibus vel aliis quibuscunque ecclesiasticis beneficiis apostolicâ vel ordinariâ seu aliâ quâvis auctoritate sub quibusvis colore, modo, formâ, vel expressione verborum, que quidem prioratus, dignitates, personatus, officia, porciones, prestimonia, ecclesias parochiales et rurales, et alia beneficia supradicta persone ipse obtinentes per cessum vel decessum, aut aliter, adhuc non dimiserint factas seu alias uniones huiusmodi sortite non fuerint effectum necnon quascunque potestates, facultates, et mandata de huiusmodi unionibus, annexionibus, et incorporacionibus, faciendis, apostolicâ vel aliâ quâcunque auctoritate data seu concessa, penitus revocamus, cassamus, adnullamus, et nullius fore volumus firmitatis, districciùs inhibentes locorum ordinariis et aliis quibuscunque, ne similes uniones, annexiones, et incorporaciones ex quâcunque causâ usque ad decem annos a datâ presencium computandos faciant, seu fieri faciant, vel attemptent.

Nos eciam irritum et inane decernimus, quicquid contra

[1] Prestimonium, a prestacione sic dictum, ecclesiasticum beneficium est cum aliquo onere, et in hoc differt a simplici beneficio, quod ideo simplex dicitur, quia in hoc nullum onus habetur.—*Du Cange.*

premissa a quoquam quâvis auctoritate scienter vel ignoranter contigerit attemptari.—Avinione, Kal. Dec., pontificatûs nostri anno quinto.

[84 a.] Commission directed to Thomas de Sheptone to hear and determine a cause promoted by Agnes de Hales against Thomas Hosiere and others, executors of her late father, for a legacy of 100 marks.—Southwark, 20 Nov., 1372.

Mandate directed to both archdeacons to collect a procuration for the nuncio of *2d.* in the £ (duos denarios de quâlibet librâ, unà cum moderatis expensis circa colleccionem et levacionem ac transmissionem huiusmodi).—Esher, 10 Dec.

[86 a.] Citation of r. of Peperharow (vol. i, pp. 29, 50) for non-residence and dilapidations.—Highclere, 2 Jan., 1372–3.

[87 a.] William de Whityngdone, r. of South Warnborough (vol. i, p. 15), cited to show cause why he should not pay £12, arrears of £4 yearly pension due to abbot of Croyland.—Southwark, 12 Feb., 1372–3.

[87 b.] Citation of Nicholas Monke, r. of Eversley, to show cause why monies in his hands belonging to Saladin, the late prebendary of Hurstbourne, should not be applied in payment of dilapidations :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio decano de Andevere, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Cum nuper ad instanciam dilecti filii m. Johannis de Glastone, prebendarii prebende de Hussebourne Tarent, dicte diocesis, super defectibus cancelli, domorum, ac aliorum locorum ad dictam prebendam pertinencium temporibus predecessorum suorum prebendariorum dicti loci contingentibus de mandato nostro per dilectum filium m. Johannem de Ware sequestratorem nostrum in archidiaconatu Wyntoniensi sit legitimè inquisitum, ac predicti defectus ad certas pecunie summas pro tempore Saladini, quondam prebendarii eiusdem, contingentes per viros fidedignos et juratos sint taxati, ac nonnulla bona dicti Saladini, prebendarii nuper, ut dicitur, prefate prebende in manibus Nicholai Monke, rectoris ecclesie de Everslee, quondam firmarii dicte prebende, et quorundam aliorum in dictis partibus

existencium remaneant occupate et detente, ut nobis exposuit m. Johannes, prebendarius prelibatus, ex quibus dicti defectus congruè poterunt reparari; inde petebat idem m. Johannes sibi per nos in hâc parte de oportuno remedio provideri.

Tibi igitur committimus et mandamus, firmiter injungentes, quatenus cites seu citari facias peremptoriè dictum Nicholaum et quoscunque alios occupatores bonorum dicti Saladini, de quibus diligenter inquiras, quod compareant, etc.—*Ib.*, 21 Feb., 1372–3.

[87b.] Commission for purgation of Richard de Brandone, who being found in possession (captus cum manuopere[1]) on St. Blase's Day (1 February), 27 Ed. III, of two yards of linen de Tanneye,[2] value 4*s.*, the goods of John Chapman, of Alton, was indicted at Kingston for the felony in Michaelmas term, 27 Ed. III, and claiming benefit of clergy, was handed over to the dean of Guildford. The commission is directed to the archdeacon of Surrey for the usual proclamation, and to the prior of Winchester Cathedral, the abbot of Hyde and John de Wormenhale, the official, for the subsequent proceedings in the matter.—Wolvesey, 12 March.

[88a.] Deputation of m. Richard de Uptone as proctor for the bishop in the Court of Arches:—

Noverint universi, quod nos Willelmus, etc., in omnibus causis et negociis in curiâ Cantuariensi contra nos vel pro nobis motis seu movendis, quociens nos abesse vel adesse contigerit, dilectum nobis in Christo, m. Ricardum de Uptone, clericum, procuratorem nostrum ordinamus, facimus, et constituimus per presentes. Damus insuper et concedimus eidem procuratori nostro potestatem generalem et mandatum specialem nomine nostro, et pro nobis, in premissis agendi, defendendi, excipiendi, replicandi, libellum seu libellos dandi et recipiendi, litem contestandi, juramentum de calumpniâ et de veritate dicendâ, et quodlibet aliud genus liciti sacramenti in animam nostram prestandi, ponendi et articulandi, ac posicionibus respondendi, testes, literas, et instrumenta producendi et exhibendi, ac huiusmodi contra nos producta et exhibita redarguendi et reprobandi, statûs nostri reformacionem et absolucionis bene-

[1] In furto vel cum re furtivâ deprehensus.—*Du Cange.*
[2] Panni species fulvi coloris (*Du Cange*), like brown holland.

ficium a quibuscunque sentenciis excommunicacionis, suspensionis, et interdicti a jure vel ab homine latis seu ferendis; necnon in integrum restitucionem, expensas, dampna, et interesse quodlibet nostro nomine, et pro nobis petendi et obtinendi, crimina et defectus objiciendi ac objectis respondendi, et ut omisso appellacionis articulo in principali causâ seu negocio nos tangente in dictâ curiâ procedatur, consenciendi sentencias interlocutorias et diffinitivas in dictis causis seu negociis ferri audiendi, provocandi, et appellandi; provocacionum causas prosequendi, articulos petendi et recipiendi, provocaciones quoque et appellaciones huiusmodi omnibus, quorum interest, notificandi et intimandi; alium vel alios procuratorem seu procuratores loco suo in premissis substituendi, et substitutum seu substitutos huiusmodi revocandi, et procuratoris officium in se reassumendi et exercendi, quociens et quando sibi videbitur expedire, et omnia alia et singula faciendi et expediendi, que de jure vel consuetudine dicte curie requiruntur, eciam si mandatum exigant speciale; pro eodem vero procuratore nostro, et quolibet ab eodem substituendo rem ratam haberi et judicatum solvi, ac judicio sisti, sub obligacione et ypotecâ omnium bonorum nostrorum omnibus, quorum interest in hâc parte, promittimus, et exponimus cauciones.—Highclere, 15 March, 1372–3.

Commission directed to Thomas de Sheptone, canon of Wells, and John Uphulle, r. of Havant, to ascertain the annual value of the impropriate church of Romsey, with a view to adjusting the vicar's portion.[1]—Same date.

[88 b.] The same commissioners directed to inquire who is liable for the repairs of the north aisle of Romsey minster:—

Cum inter religiosas mulieres abbatissam et conventum monasterii de Romeseye . . . ecclesiam parochialem de Romeseye predictam in usus proprios obtinentes ex parte unâ et parochianos dicte ecclesie super construccione, reparacione et refeccione

[1] In cases of appropriation, the appropriators were bound to assign *porcionem congruam* to the incumbent; and if they failed to do so, the ordinary might assign it (Clement, liii, tit. 12, c. 1). But either the monks were too powerful for the bishops, or the bishops were too favourable to the monks: so no redress for the incumbent was found till stat. 15 Ric. II, c. 6 (which was passed on the petition of the commons), made it a condition precedent to the appropriation of any benefice that a *congrua porcio* should be secured to the vicar (*Gibs*, p. 716). By Archbp. Langton's Constitutions, A.D. 1228 (*Lyndwood*, p. 64), a vicar might not have less than five marks per annum. Archbp. Sudbury raised this sum to eight marks.

ale[1] seu capelle ex parte boreali dicte ecclesie faciendâ ex alterâ gravis, ut per partes predictas accepimus, dissensio noviter est exorta :

Nos volentes paci et tranquillitati dictarum partium, quantum cum justiciâ et veritate possumus, salubriter providere, ad inquirendum super refeccione dicte ale seu capelle, ad quem seu quos onus illius refeccionis et reparacionis de jure vel consuetudine debeat pertinere, predictis partibus et aliis quorum interest in hâc parte ad hoc legitimè evocatis, necnon ad recipiendum vice nostrâ submissiones partium predictarum super toto negocio prelibato, si submissionem huiusmodi nostris ordinacioni et arbitrio facere decreverint, in formâ debitâ limitandas, vobis tenore presencium committimus vices nostras, etc.—Same date.

[**88 b.**] Guest master of St. Swithun's priory licensed to administer sacraments during Lent and at Easter at Littleton :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio f. Johanni Hyde, monacho ecclesie nostre Wynton., officium receptoris hospicii gerenti in eâdem, s. g. et b. Ut animarum periculis obviemus propensiùs attendentes, quod in ecclesiâ parochiali de Litteltone, nostre diocesis, officio predicto unitâ, que adeo est hiis temporibus in fructibus et redditibus reddita tenuis et exilis, quod non sufficit capellanum parochialem inibi exhibere, et caret idcirco huiusmodi officio capellani, ut possitis parochianis illius ecclesie hoc sacro tempore quadragesimali et in festo pasche iam instantis sacramenta penitencie et eucaristie licitè ministrare, licenciam tibi tenore presencium concedimus specialem, usque ad octabam pasche tantummodo duraturam.[2]—Same date.

This license renewed 20 April, 1375, 13 March, 1377–8, 31 March, 1379.

Excommunication denounced against certain who caused the death of John de Molyntone,[3] the apparitor-general :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio, officiali archidiaconatûs Wyntoniensis, s. g. et b. Ingrati filii et degeneres meritò describuntur,

[1] Ala: cujusvis edificii latus; *Fr.* aile de bâtiment (*Du Cange*). The north aisle was used as the parish church.

[2] From a charter of bp. Henry de Blois, A.D. 1171, it appears that the church of Littleton was appropriated to the Guest-master's office.—*Obedientiary Rolls of St. Swithun's, Winchester*, p. 224.

[3] p. 9.

qui in sanctam ecclesiam, matrem omnium Christi fidelium vivencium, et patres prelatos ipsius cornibus elatis insurgunt, opprimunt, et temerè conculcant, quos tenentur defendere ab injuriis et infestacionibus barbarorum. Sanè pridie gravis hospitalitatis aggressus et horrende feritatis excessus nostrum nimirum perturbârunt animum et auditum, quod nonnulli perdicionis filii, quorum persone et nomina ignorantur, execuciones nostre jurisdiccionis ecclesiastice super hiis que spectant ad jurisdiccionem nostram specialem ac mandata nostra licita et canonica super hiis destinata temerè et nequiter impedientes ac impedire procurantes injustè, necnon dilectum et fidelem nuncium nostrum et apparitorem nostrum generalem satis notum Johannem de Molyntone, clericum, mandata nostra et officialium nostrorum deferentem, et execuciones justas inde debitè facere volentem, ceperunt, et omni divino timore postposito verberârunt et aliter malè pertractare injuriosè presumpserunt, et tandem ipsius vite non parcentes, ipsum cum gladiis et fustibus et aliis armorum generibus spiritu furibundo ab hâc luce penitus extinxerunt, in divine majestatis offensam, libertatis et jurisdiccionis ecclesie impedimentum et violacionem manifestam.

Propter quod non est dubium set Christi fidelibus satis notum, omnes satellites infernales excessus predictos nefarios in prefatum ministrum et executorem publicum et notorium jurisdiccionis nostre episcopalis taliter committentes in maioris excommunicacionis summas tam contra verberantes clericos[1] quam contra impedientes nuncios, execuciones, et mandata nostra canonica super exercicio jurisdiccionis ecclesiastice deferentes a sanctis patribus promulgatas, ipso facto dampnabiliter incidisse.

Nos igitur, etc. (Excommunication denounced in usual form.)—Same date.

[90 a.] Sequestrator directed to grant administration of Molyntone's estate to Joan his widow.—Highclere, 9 April, 1373.

[94 b.] Henry de Thorp appointed apparitor-general.—*Ib.*, 30 May.

[1] By stat. *Circumspectè agatis* (13 Ed. I), laying violent hands on a clerk shall be punished by the spiritual judge; and by *Articuli Cleri* (9 Ed. II, c. 3), laying violent hands on a clerk is excommunication and penance corporal, following the decretal lib. v, tit. 39, c. 5. Quicunque manus violentas in clericum sciens injecerit nisi voluerit arbitratu judicum ecclesiasticorum ei satisfacere penitenciamque subire tam atroci scelere dignam, in excommunicacionem ruet.

[89 a.] Prayers for duke of Lancaster and earl of Salisbury:

Willelmus, etc. A libro vestre memorie nequaquam credimus excidisse, qualiter dudum vobis transmisimus nostras literas speciales ad faciendum processiones solempnes in singulis ecclesiis archidiaconatûs Surreiensis singulis quartis et sextis feriis unà cum missis et aliis oracionibus devotis pro pace et tranquillitate ecclesie, domini nostri regis, et regni Anglie et adherentibus eidem, ut pater misericordiarum ipsius gubernacula dirigat, pacem fidelibus regni tribuat, continuet, et confirmet, certam indulgenciam omnibus subditis nostris, tam clericis quam laicis, predictum pietatis opus devotè exercentibus ex thesauro Altissimi concedentes.

Et quia propter guerrarum discrimina ingruencia et hostium huius regni aggressiones et insultus verisimiliter imminentes citiùs propulsandos nobilissimus princeps et dominus, dominus Johannes, Dei graciâ dux Lancastrie, ac nobilis vir, dominus Willelmus de Monte Acuto, comes Sarum, et nonnulli alii fideles regni, pro tuicione et defensione ecclesie et regni predicti in manu forti ad partes externas sunt profecti, hostes huiusmodi sub Dei adjutorio repulsuri, pium propendimus et oportunum, eos in suâ expedicione devotis ecclesie precibus adjuvare, et ob hoc prefatas processiones, missas, et oraciones pro eis et eorum comitivis fieri decrevimus, specialem pro eis memoriam in huiusmodi processionibus, missis, et oracionibus faciendo, et priorem indulgenciam quadraginta dierum pro celebrantibus missas oraciones et processiones predictas aliàs per nos concessam ad illos omnes, qui missas et alias devotas oraciones pro dictis duce et comite celebraverint et dixerint mente piâ, duximus extendendam, et concedimus per presentes, etc.—*Ib.*, 16 March, 1372–3.

[90 a.] License granted to Thomas Butillere, r. of Maplederham (vol. 1, pp. 47, 58), to let the parsonage for three years, with the usual clauses.—*Ib.*, 9 March.

Letter to the Chancellor.[1] The abbot of Tichfield has hitherto been assessed with the clergy, yet there are some laymen who maliciously seek to make him pay the fifteenth levied on the laity. The Chancellor is requested to grant relief (providere de remedio oportuno).—*Ib.*, 4 April, 1373.

[1] Sir John Knyvett.

[90 b.] Mandates for visitation of

Winchester cathedral	13 June.
Hyde abbey	18 June.
Other abbeys and priories . .	various dates.

Southwark, 24 and 27 April, 1373.

Mandate for visitation of deanery of Winchester :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio, decano Wyntoniensi, s. g. et b. Pastoralis officii nobis injuncti solicitudo nostrum animum excitat, et inducit, ut nostros subditos ad animarum suarum salutem personaliter et aliàs efficaciter visitemus, mores et actus singulorum solicitè inquirentes, per quod errata possimus corrigere, et ad Dei beneplacitum reformare : eò quod non est pastoris excusacio, si lupus rapax gregem invadat, et pastor ignoret.

Hinc est, quod nos ad curam populi nobis traditam mentis oculos dirigentes, ut per viam salutis incedat, clerum et populum civitatis et archidiaconatûs Wynton. fore decrevimus visitandos, qui sine curâ et regimine visitacionis pastoralis non modico tempore prosteterunt.

Tibi tenore presencium committimus et mandamus, in virtute obediencie firmiter injungentes, quatenus cites seu citari facias peremptoriè omnes et singulos ecclesiarum rectores et vicarios ac capellanos parochiales et alios capellanos quoscunque per dictos civitatem et decanatum qualitercunque constitutos, quod compareant coram nobis vel nostris commissariis, si tunc fuerimus impediti, in ecclesiâ parochiali S. Mauricii Wynton. die mercurii proximo post festum S. Trinitatis proximo jam venturum, cum continuacione et prorogacione dierum subsequencium, titulos beneficiorum suorum et literas ordinum suorum exhibituri et ostensuri, necnon visitacionem nostram ordinariam debitè et humiliter subituri.

Cites insuper seu citari facias peremptoriè sex vel quatuor ros fidedignos de quâlibet parochiâ decanatus predicti, secun- um magnitudinem vel parvitatem ipsius parochie, quod dictis : et loco coram nobis vel nostris commissariis compareant am visitacionem nostram ordinariam subituri, et super interro- oriis animarum subditorum ipsius decanatûs salutem tangent- s eis faciendis veritatem, quam noverint, dicturi, et recepturi d justum fuerit in hâc parte.

Et, quia nonnulli, tam viri religiosi, quam alii seculares, ecclesias parochiales, porciones decimarum, et pensiones in decanatu predicto habere et percipere debere se pretendunt, cites consimiliter peremptoriè eosdem religiosos et viros alios ecclesias porciones et pensiones ad se pertinere dicentes, quod dictis die et loco coram nobis vel commissariis nostris compareant, cartas, literas, et instrumenta et munimenta omnia, quibus pretendunt se fore munitos, et quibus super hoc uti intendunt, exhibituri et ostensuri, et quicquid juris super hiis habeant, propositurí, facturique et recepturi quod justum fuerit in premissis.

Nonnulli insuper viri ecclesiastici beneficia curam animarum habencia in dictis civitate et decanatu obtinere dicuntur infra annum a tempore sibi commissi regiminis in presbyteros nullatenus ordinati; cites seu citari peremptoriè facias eosdem, quod dictis die et loco coram nobis vel nostris commissariis compareant, privilegia, indulta seu alia jura specialia, si que habeant in hâc parte, exhibituri et ostensuri, facturi et recepturi quod justicia suadebit.

Cites insuper peremptoriè omnes et singulos capellas oratoria infra dictum decanatum se habere dicentes, et capellanos celebrantes in eisdem, quod prefatis die et loco coram nobis vel dictis nostris commissariis compareant, privilegia seu literas apostolicas vel alia munimenta se habere dicentes, exhibeant et ostendant, ac recipiant super hiis, quod justicie fuerit et racionis.

Inhibemus insuper tibi decano predicto, ne pendente dictâ visitacione nostrâ quicquam in prejudicium eius attemptes, facias, seu permittas aliqualiter attemptari.

De diebus verò recepcionis, etc.—Southwark, 27 April, 1373.

Similar mandates were sent to the archdeacons for all other deaneries.

[91 a.] Commission directed to prior of St. Mary Overy Southwark, and others, to promote the office of the bisho against Edward Dunbrigg, v. of Eling, and Maud Pykene *conjugata.—Ib.*, 30 April.

[93 b.] Excommunication of Dunbrigg and Maud Pyker in default of appearance.—Highclere, 17 May.

[95 a.] Richard de Uptone appointed proctor for the bishop in a cause promoted by Dunbrigg in the archbishop's court.—*Ib.*, 3 June, 1373.

[92 a.] The bishop to Arnald Gernerii the nuncio. He has received the nuncio's letter, dated London, 14 February, 1372–3, enjoining him to publish sentence of excommunication against the abbot of Quarr and prior of Selborne for contempt in not appearing to a citation; to sequestrate the archdeaconry of Winchester for the sum of £11. 13*s.* 4*d.*, and the archdeaconry of Surrey for the sum of £5. 13*s.* 4*d.*, due for Peter pence in 1372, and the priory of Appulburthorp (*sic*) for £25. 17*s.* 0*d.* for first fruits to the pope on confirmation of prior John de Ketinna; to cite the following heads of religious houses for non-payment of procurations to the nuncio, namely:—

Abbot of Chertsey (a year)	...	...	7*s.*
,, Waverley ,,	...	...	7*s.*
Prior of Southwick ,,	...	...	7*s.*
,, Merton ,,	...	...	7*s.*
,, Newark ,,	...	...	7*s.*
,, Southwark ,,	...	...	7*s.*
,, Shirbourne ,,	...	...	7*s.*
,, Andover ,,	...	...	7*s.*
Abbot of Quarr (2 years)	...	...	14*s.*
,, ,, when John de Cabrespino was nuncio (4 years)	...	...	28*s.*
,, ,, when Hugh Pelegrin was nuncio (2 years)	...	...	14*s.*
Abbess of St. Mary's, Winchester (a year)	...		7*s.*

and to sequestrate all churches which have been conferred by papal provision since 15 Feb. in the first year of Gregory XI for non-payment of first fruits. The bishop has obeyed the nuncio's instructions as to Peter pence, first fruits, and procurations. Houghton is the only church which has been conferred by papal provision since the date given, and he has sequestrated it.—Southwark, 2 May.

[93 a.] Dispensation *super defectu natalium* for John atte Hule, as scholar of the diocese.—*Ib.*, 10 May.

93 b.] Deputation of John de Shepeye and John de Bukynghame to appear as proctors for the bishop at the Con-

vocation to be held at St. Paul's on May 30, he being, he says, "variis et arduis negociis personam nostram et ecclesiam nostram Wyntoniensem multipliciter occupatus."—Highclere, 26 May, 1373.

[94 a.] Return to summons to Convocation.—Same date.

[94 b.] Certificate that Joan Asshewy was not professed in religion :—

Nobilibus et discretis viris, dominis maiori, vicecomitibus, et recordatori civitatis Londoniensis, necnon universis et singulis Christi fidelibus presentes literas inspecturis Willelmus, etc., salutem in omnium Salvatore. Quia per quosdam nobis noviter est suggestum, quod per aliquos intelligi vobis datur dilectam nobis in Christo filiam Johannam, filiam Stephani Asshewy defuncti, in monasterio monialium S. Marie Wyntoniensis ordinem regularem fore professam : vobis tenore presencium intimamus, quod eadem Johanna non est in monasterio predicto nec in aliquo alio monasterio regulari aliquem ordinem ab ecclesiâ approbatum, quatenus nobis constare potest, adhuc professa.[1] Que vobis innotescimus per presentes, sigillo nostro patenti signatas.—*Ib.*, 30 May.

Dean of Basingstoke and r. of Overton directed to sequestrate the tithe of two fields known as Great and Little Holden, pending the bishop's decision whether the tithe belonged to John de Edyndone, r. of Farnham, or Nicholas de Kaerwent, r. of Crondall.—*Ib.*, 3 June.

[96 a.] Prayers for the duke of Lancaster's expedition to France[2] :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio, priori ecclesie nostre cathedralis Wyntoniensis, s. g. et b. Sacrarum oracionum suffragia puris animis cum cordis mundiciâ et assiduitate presentancium apud Altissimum postulata, implorantibus conferunt recti subsidii incrementum salutare; cumque bello et dissencionibus ingruentibus inter regna oraciones devotas, presertim pro pace et tranquillitate ecclesie, regis, et regni Anglie, ac felici expedicione nobilissimi principis domini Johannis, regis Castelle et Legionis, et dcis

[1] She was therefore entitled to share in the distribution of her father's estate, which if professed, and therefore dead in law, she would not have been.

[2] *Walsingham*, i, 315.

Lancastrie, ac aliorum magnatum, procerum, et fidelium regni Anglie pro juribus domini nostri regis in partibus Francie recuperandis profecturorum missas, processiones, et oraciones, et alia pietatis opera in singulis ecclesiis regularibus et secularibus nostre diocesis fore decrevimus, in spiritu humilitatis et devocionis fore solempniter celebrandas, et ad hec exequenda sumus per breve regium et necessitatis urgentis evidencias indies ingruentes specialiter excitati, cuius brevis regii nobis super hoc directi tenor est talis *Edwardus*, etc.

Nos in cordis intimis attendentes propositum dicti domini nostri regis fore sanum et suis fidelibus oportunum, et ob hoc volentes predictis suis peticionibus exequendum, prout tenemur et debemus, totis viribus insudare, et eum, quantum possumus, effectui debito mancipare, vos attentè requirimus et rogamus, vobis nichilominus firmiter injungendo mandantes, quatenus oraciones devotas, etc. (grant of 40 days indulgence).—Waltham, 29 June, 1373.

[97 a.] Similar letter to prior and convent of Winchester.—Winchester, 8 July.

Memorandum of probate granted at St. Mary's, Southampton, of will of Agnes, wife of John de Depedene, to him and Richard Fyfhyde, *capellanus*, dated 1 July.

Dispensation *super defectu natalium* granted to Richard Westwode, clk.—Christchurch Twynham, 4 July.

[97 b.] Mandate directed to prior of Winchester to muster his tenants at Southampton for defence of the coast :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio, priori ecclesie nostre Wyntoniensis, s. g. et b. Breve domini nostri regis sub suo magno sigillo signatum xxiiij^{to} die mensis Julii, anno domini millesimo CCC^{mo} lxxiij^{o}, apud Altam Cleram nobis porrectum et liberatum nos noveritis recepisse, tenorem continens subsequentem. *Edwardus*, etc.

Volentes igitur dictum breve regium et contenta in eo execucioni debite demandare, vobis mandamus, firmiter injungentes, quatenus homines vestros sine dilacione arraiari, et eos armis competentibus juxta statum et facultates vestras muniri, ac

ipsos sic arraiatos et competenter munitos usque dictam villam Suthamptone et costeras maris in partibus illis ibidem super salvâ custodiâ earundem, quamdiu necesse fuerit, moraturos, venire facias, taliter et ita providè vos habentes in hâc parte, ne per vestri negligenciam aut tepiditatem dicto domino regi seu regno suo aut predictis partibus dampnum vel periculum eveniat aliquale.—Highclere, 24 July, 1373.

Similar letters were sent to abbot of Hyde, for tenants in archdeaconry of Winchester; to m. John de Ware and dean of Winchester, for deanery of Winchester; to precentor of St. Mary's, Southampton, m. Walter Gourda, r. of Stoneham, and dean of Southampton, for deanery of Southampton; and to m. John de Ware, m. Walter Sevenhamptone, r. of Chilbolton, and dean of Sombourn, for deanery of Sombourn.

[98 a.] Mandate to sequestrate the church of Morden for arrears of subsidy and pentecostals [1] at Heckfield [2] :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio priori ecclesie conventualis de Mertone, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Quia Willelmus Page, nunc rector ecclesie de Mordone, nuper verò vicarius ecclesie de Heghfelde, dicte diocesis, tenetur pro dictâ vicariâ de Heghfelde de tempore quo fuit ibidem vicarius tum pro decimâ regis et subsidio sibi concesso tum pro oblacionibus pentecostalibus que de suo tempore sunt a retro in xlij solidis vij denariis ob., quam summam hactenus non persolvit; vobis committimus et mandamus, quatenus omnes fructus, redditus, et proventus dicte ecclesie de Mordone ex causâ predictâ auctoritate nostrâ sequestretis et per vos alium seu alios usque ad summam predictam sequestrari, exigi, colligi, et levari faciatis, ac sub sequestro tuto custodiatis, donec aliud vobis super hoc dederimus in mandatis, et dictum sequestrum in prefatâ ecclesiâ de Mordone faciatis publicari, neminem permittentes de bonis disponere sic sequestratis, ac contradictores et rebelles, seu vos aut vestros deputatos in execucione premissorum impedientes, per censuras ecclesiasticas auctoritate nostrâ compescatis.—Highclere, 29 July.

[1] Pentecostals, or Whitsun farthings, were due *jure communi* to the bishop, and took their name from the coming of the inhabitants of the diocese to the Cathedral at the feast of Pentecost with their offerings.—*Gibs.*, p. 976.

[2] William Page, v. of Heckfield, was instituted to Morden, 18 Feb., 1372–3 (vol. i, p. 47), leaving behind him these arrears.

Notarial act, recording Richard de Herton's agreement with the bishop to teach his poor scholars for ten years from Michaelmas, 1373 :—

In Dei nomine, amen. Anno ab incarnacione Domini secundum cursum et computacionem ecclesie Anglicane millesimo CCC^mo^ lxxiij°, indiccione xj^ma^, mensis Septembris die primâ, pontificatûs sanctissimi in Christo patris et domini nostri, domini Gregorii, divinâ providenciâ pape undecimi, anno tercio, constitutus personaliter coram reverendo patre domino Willelmo, etc., in aulâ manerii sui de Merewelle, Wynton. dioc., in mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presenciâ venerabilis et discretus vir m. Ricardus de Hertone, grammaticus, certam convencionem cum eodem domino Wyntoniensi episcopo fecit, iniit, et firmavit, sub hâc formâ, videlicet quod idem Ricardus per decem annos, incipiendo in festo S. Michaelis proximè futuro, instruet et informabit pauperes scolares quos dictus dominus episcopus suis sumptibus exhibet[1] et exhibebit, fideliter et diligenter in arte grammaticâ, et nullos alios sine licenciâ dicti patris ad doctrinam huiusmodi recipiet per tempus predictum, excepit tamen tempus infirmitatis sue et tempus quo curiam Romanam semel visitabit suis propriis sumptibus, et per dictum tempus alium virum sufficientem et idoneum pro doctrinâ dictorum scolarium substituet loco suo.

Ad hec convenit cum dicto patre, quod idem pater inveniet et exhibebit sibi unum alium virum idoneum, qui eum poterit adjuvare in labore discipline scolarium predictorum. Hec promisit firmiter idem m. Ricardus cum omni diligenciâ perficere et implere.

Et super firmitate illius convencionis tenende et servande idem m. Ricardus per manum suam dexteram in manu dexterâ dicti patris expressè posuit et dedit fidem suam ad premissa omnia perficienda in formâ predictâ.

Acta sunt hec anno, indiccione, mense, die, pontificatu, et loco prenotatis, presentibus discretis viris m. Johanne de Bukyngham, canonico Eboracensi, et domino Johanne de Campeden, canonico ecclesie Suthwellensis et Eboracensis diocesis, et Henrico de Thorpe ac Johanne de Kelleseye, notariis publicis apostolicis, testibus ad premissa vocatis specialiter et rogatis.

[1] To maintain. Hence "exhibition" at a school or college.

Mandate to sequestrate Ash, and cite the rector for non-attendance at visitation :—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis rectori ecclesie de Dene, nostre diocesis, ac Henrico Louers, et Henrico Thorp, apparitori nostro generali, s. g. et b. Cum nuper in visitacione nostrâ ordinariâ in decanatu de Basyngstoke, dicte nostre diocesis, per nos factâ Thomam, rectorem ecclesie de Asshe, citavimus ad visitacionem nostram huiusmodi subeundum, ipsum preconizatum et diutiùs expectatum ac nullo modo comparentem reputavimus non immeritò contumacem, et in penam contumacie sue huiusmodi sic contracte omnes et singulos fructus, redditus, et proventus dicte ecclesie sequestravimus per decretum ;

Vobis communiter et divisim committimus et mandamus, firmiter injungentes, quatenus ad dictam ecclesiam de Asshe personaliter accedatis, dictos fructus et redditus et proventus sic per nos sequestratos in dictâ ecclesiâ publicetis seu faciatis solempniter publicari, et ex habundanti sequestretis eosdem ; et dicti sequestri custodiam specialiter committimus tibi, rectori de Dene predicto, et si quos inveneritis in hâc parte contradictores aut rebelles, eos auctoritate nostrâ per quascunque censuras ecclesiasticas canonicè compescatis, citantes peremptoriè eosdem . . .

Citetis insuper eundem Thomam rectorem, quod compareat coram nobis, vel nostro commissario, in ecclesiâ parochiali de Aulton, dicte diocesis, die veneris proximo post festum exaltacionis S. Crucis proximò futurum, literas ordinum suorum et titulum, quem in dictâ ecclesiâ de Asshe se pretendit habere, exhibiturum et ostensurum, ac visitacionem nostram subiturum, facturum quoque ulteriùs et recepturum, quod justicia suadebit. —Marwell, 1 Sept., 1373.

[101 a.] Archbishop's mandate to bishop of London, directing him to summon Convocation. Mandate dated at Lambeth, xiij Kal. Nov. :—

Willelmus, permissione divinâ Cantuariensis archiepiscopus, tocius Anglie primas, et apostolice sedis legatus, venerabili fratri nostro domino Simoni, Dei graciâ Londoniensi episcopo, salutem et fraternam in Domino caritatem. Ingens et indissimulata negociorum necessitas arduorum, nedum Anglicane concernencium utilitatem ecclesie, set eciam domini nostri regis et

regni sui statum, tranquillitatemque quietis eiusdem ac bonum publicum, ut speramus, multipliciter nos urget, licet cum fastidio, prelatos et clerum nostre Cantuariensis provincie convocare et ad hoc eciam faciendum cum frequenti et assiduâ ipsius regis nostri instanciâ breve suum recepimus, etc.

[102 a.] Commission directed to rectors of Burghclere and Woodhay and vicar of Kingsclere to admit the will of dame Isabel, widow of sir John Gambone, knt., to probate.—Farnham, 22 Oct., 1373.

Memorandum of probate of will of Adam de Waddeleshurst, of Long Ditton, granted to Agnes, his widow and executrix.—Southwark, 11 Nov.

Discharge of executors of Cecily, widow of Laurence Belehewe, of St. Olave's, Southwark.—*Ib.*, 12 Nov.

[103 a.] Circular from archbp. of Bourges, *camerarius* of the apostolic see. The bishop is bound by his consecration oath (vol. i, p. 9) to visit the Roman Court once in two years when it is west of the Alps, and has done so within the last two years by his proctor; but the proctor made no oblation and rendered no homage to the apostolic see. Nevertheless the archbishop is prepared to absolve him, if on any future occasion his visit should be delayed beyond the two years:—

Universis presentes literas inspecturis Petrus, miseracione divinâ archiepiscopus Bituricensis, domini pape camerarius, salutem in Domino. Ad universitatis vestre noticiam tenore presencium deducimus, quod cum reverendus in Christo pater dominus Willelmus, etc., singulis bienniis Curiâ citra montes existente sedem apostolicam teneatur visitare, sedem ipsam pro uno biennio nondum elapso per discretum virum Johannem de Uptone, procuratorem suum ad hoc legitimè constitutum, cum devocione debitâ visitaverit, nichil tamen idem procurator racione visitacionis huiusmodi camere dicti pape obtulit seu servivit.

Insuper ipsum dominum episcopum a reatu perjurii, si quod aliâ occasione retardate visitacionis huiusmodi forsan incurrit, auctoritate, quâ fungimur in hâc parte, duximus absolvendum.—Avignon, 18 Nov.

License to let the church of Clapham for three years to Thomas Carlethorpe, r. of Coulsdon, and another, granted to Richard de Ambresdene, the rector (vol. i, p. 42).—Southwark, 23 Nov., 1373.

[105 b.] Commission directed to Walter Gourda, r. of North Stoneham (vol i, p. 82), to institute ds. Peter Trewens, pr., to the church of All Saints, Southampton, on the presentation of the prior and convent of St. Denys.—Highclere, 10 Sept., 1374.

[106 a.] License granted to the inhabitants of Leckford to have their church reconciled after pollution by bloodshed.—*Ib.*, 26 Sept.

[106 b.] Copies of three bulls of Urban VI, published by order of the nuncio, Henry bp. of Norwich.[1] The first bull, dated 22 March, 1380–1, states that Robert of Geneva, styling himself Clement VII, has occupied Anagni, and threatens to invade the territory of the Church with troops from Bretagne; and promises to such as shall enlist under the banner of the Church to repel them the indulgence granted to Crusaders, empowering the nuncio to raise men in England for the purpose.[2] The second bull denounces excommunication against the cardinals who elected the anti-pope, Clement VII, at the house of Honoratus, Count of Fondi, in September, 1378, and enjoins the nuncio to preach a crusade against him. The third bull enjoins the nuncio to defend the personal character of Urban VI against certain who seek to blacken it, and to suspend or deprive any clerical adherents of the anti-pope in England, with power to send them to Rome for trial:—

Urbanus episcopus, servus servorum Dei, venerabili fratri Henrico, episcopo Norwicensi, apostolice sedis nuncio, salutem et apostolicam benediccionem.

Dudum cum vinea Domini Sabaoth, videlicet sancta Romana ecclesia, ventrem suum doleret et amaritatis visceribus gravia emittere suspiria cogeretur ex eo, quia filios uteri sui, quos enutriverat et de infimis erigens ad culmina dignitatum extulerat,

[1] Henry le Despencer, the fighting bishop.—*Dict. Nat. Biog.*, xiv, 410.

[2] See *Wals.* ii, pp. 71–80, where the substance of the bull, a list of the privileges granted by the pope to the bishop of Norwich, and the form of absolution for those who should join the expedition, are given.

videlicet iniquitatis et perdicionis alumpnos,[1] Robertum, olim basilice duodecim apostolorum, vulgariter dictum Gebenensem, Johannem olim titulo Sancti Marcelli, vulgariter dictum Ambiensem, Geraldum, olim titulo Sancti Clementis, vulgariter dictum Maioris Monasterii, presbyteros, et dampnate memorie Petrum, olim Sancti Eustacii diaconum, cardinales, conspiceret matris ubera spernere et a rectitudinis tramite deviare, et non solum leges et monita materna despicere, set eiusdem matris uterum, quantum in eis erat, viperinis conatibus laniare et inconsutilem Domini tunicam scindere satagentes, scandalorum et scismatum seminaria preparabant; ac fame sue prodigi, et honoris proprii persecutores effecti, non tantum se ipsos nexibus peccatorum involvere, quod in reprobum sensum dati,[2] alios secum ad participium trahere conabantur.

Nos, qui divinâ disponente clemenciâ predicte vinee solicitudinem et curam gerimus, adversus huiusmodi pretergredientes veritatis et recte fidei semitam, et prevaricaciones addentes, ut eandem vineam demoliri valerent, in virtute Altissimi de fratrum nostrorum consilio decrevimus exurgendum, et contra ipsos, et nonnullos alios eis adherentes ac faventes inferiùs nominatos, per infrascriptum modum, mediante justiciâ, duximus procedendum; siquidem cum predicti nequam viri, nescientes in semitis justicie dirigere gressus suos, et timorem Dei pre oculis non habentes, contra nos conspiraciones, colligaciones, et machinaciones diversas facere, et in Dei ecclesiâ scisma et divisionem ponere, ac civitatem nostram Anagniensem, et castrum S. Angeli de Urbe,[3] et nonnulla alia castra, terras, et loca, nobis et dicte ecclesie subjecta, occupare et occupari facere, seu illa occupantibus auxilium, consilium, vel favorem prebere presumpsissent et presumerent.

Et insuper, ut dictam civitatem et alias terras provincie nostre Campanie faciliùs occupare et occupata detinere, ac alios ad consenciendum eorum iniquè voluntatibus et operibus violenter attrahere possent, magnam multitudinem gencium armigerarum, que *Britones Vascones*[4] nuncupantur, ad dictas

[1] The answer of the followers of Urban VI to the circular issued by the cardinals who set up the anti-pope is couched in equally strong language.—*Walsingham*, i, 385.

[2] *Romans* i, 28. [3] *Walsingham*, i, 395.

[4] These Bretons held the castle of St. Angelo for Clement VII against Urban VI, but surrendered on hearing that Sir John Hawkwood was coming against them.—*Walsingham*, i, 394.

civitatem et provinciam venire fecissent, et exinde quamplurima homicidia, sacrilegia, rapine, depopulaciones, et alia mala et dampna et scelera fuissent secuta:

Nos, qui salutem zelabamur illorum, sperantes ipsos ad cor reversuros, ac viam justicie repetituros, eos per venerabilem fratrem Petrum, episcopum Portuensem, et dilectum filium nostrum Simonem, titulo Sanctorum Johannis et Pauli, presbyterum, et bone memorie Jacobum, Sancti Georgii ad velum aureum diaconum, cardinales, pluries et diversè, probos prelatos et alios magne auctoritatis viros, ac eciam, per literas nostras iteratis vicibus, ut ad viam veritatis et justicie redire et ab huiusmodi erroribus resipiscere vellent, duximus exortandos ac eciam requirendos.

[107 a.] Set prefati nequam viri, in suâ pertinaciâ et superbiâ obscurati, post moniciones et exhortaciones huiusmodi contra nos, quos antea in urbe per ipsos et alios, ad quos spectabat, in papam electos, ac debitis et consuetis solempnitatibus observatis, intronizaverant, ac publicè coronaverant, et quos tanquam papam et summum pontificem in missarum solempniis et consistoriis, publicis ac privatis, consulendo et ordinando de statu Romane ecclesie ac rei publice per plures menses tractaverant, recipiendo a nobis ecclesiastica sacramenta ac dignitates et beneficia ecclesiastica pro se et aliis a nobis impetrando, diversos libellos diffamatorios fecerunt, et illos ad diversos prelatos et mundi principes transmiserunt, per quos asserebant, nos non verum papam fore; ac multa alia mala et enormia de nobis dicere presumpserunt.

Et tandem, in profundum descendentes malorum, et cupientes sancte matris ecclesie scindere unitatem, in civitate Fundanâ cum quibusdam aliis, quos cum eorum machinacionibus et diabolicis suggestionibus ad eorum impium propositum attraxerant, congregati in domo iniquitatis filii Honorati Gayetani, olim comitis Fundorum, cum ipsius Honorati auxilio et favore, prefatum Robertum temerè eligendo antipapam fecerunt, ipsumque ausu sacrilegio papam nominare presumpserunt et presumunt; ipseque Robertus se papam nominare ausu temerario non erubuit nec erubescit.

Preterea, cum eciam iniquitatis alumpnus Petrus, olim archiepiscopus Arelatensis, et camerarius noster, dudum diabolico

spiritu instigatus, de urbe predictâ, ubi nobiscum erat, absque licenciâ nostrâ et quasi furtivè recessisset, et de camerâ nostrâ quamplura jocalia et alia res et bona magni valoris et preciosa, ad nos et ad Romanam sedem pertinencia, secum asportâsset, et ad dictam civitatem Anagniensem se conferens, cum prefatis sceleratis viris, Roberto, Johanne, Geraldo, et Petro, olim cardinalibus, diversas conspiraciones et colligaciones ordinare et facere, et ad conducendum dictas gentes armigeras ad dictam civitatem Anagniensem consilium, auxilium, et favorem, et tam ipsi quam perdicionis filii, Jacobus olim patriarcha Constantinopolitanus, Nicholaus olim archiepiscopus Cusentinus, Petrus olim Verbetanensis, Guillermus olim Urbinas, Petrus olim Montiflasconiensis, Johannes olim Gebenensis, et Franciscus olim Gayetanensis episcopi, ac Bertrandus Rasini, olim clericus camere apostolice, et Macellus Casillii, olim rector ecclesie sancte Marie Pediscripte prope Neapolim, ac eciam iniquitatis filii Honoratus predictus, Antonius, olim comes Casertanensis, Franciscus de Vico, olim prefectus urbis, Johannes de Malestrete, Nicholaus Spinellus, aliàs dictus *de Neapoli*, Silvester Bude, Bernardus de la Sale, Petrus de Lasaga, miles, ac Guilhonetus de Lasala, domicellus, in reprobum sensum dati, prefato Roberto antipape adherere, credere, ac favere, et eorum linguis transeuntibus super terram, os in celo ponere presumentes, non fuissent veriti, nec verentur, publicè asserere, et per alios asseri et predicari facere, nos non fore papam, nec Romanum pontificem ; et eorum falsis et confictis mendaciis quamplura enormia de nobis dicere, et se ab unitate dicte Romane ecclesie separare, et scisma ac divisionem, quantum in eis erat, in Dei ecclesiâ ponere ; ac Franciscus de Vico civitatem nostram Viterbiensem, et Johannes de Malestrete, Silvester, Bernardus, Petrus de Lasaga, et Guilhonetus predicti, cum nonnullis eorum complicibus, dictam civitatem Anagniensem, ac eciam nonnullas alias terras nostras et Romane ecclesie occupare, et tam ipsi quam et alii superiùs nominati nonnullas alias terras nostrûm et dicte ecclesie occupantibus et invadentibus auxilium, consilium, et favorem prebere presumpsissent, ac presumerent, crimen heresis, scismatis, lese maiestatis, et apostasie dampnabiliter incurrendo ; ac huiusmodi excessus et scelera essent adeo notoria, quod nullâ possent tergiversacione celari.

Nos ad maiorem certitudinem eorundem dilecto filio nostro Johanni, titulo S. Sabine, et bone memorie Guillermo tt. S. Eusebii, presbyteris cardinalibus, successivè et divisim, commisimus, ut se de predictis informarent ; qui, informacione huiusmodi per eos debitè receptâ, nobis in consistorio retulerunt predicta excessus et scelera fuisse et esse notoria ac eciam manifesta.

[107 b.] Et tandem nos, nequeuntes absque gravi offensâ Christi et remorsu consciencie tot et tantis excessibus ampliùs tollerare, adversus prefatos sceleratos, in virtute Altissimi de dictorum fratrum consilio, ut premittitur, duximus exurgendum, et contra ipsos super premissis procedendum, justiciâ mediante.

Ipsis igitur ad hoc legitimè citatis et aliis debitis juris solempnitatibus observatis, per nostram diffinitivam summam decrevimus et declaravimus prefertos Robertum, Johannem, Geraldum, et Petrum, olim cardinales, necnon Jacobum, olim patriarcham, Petrum, olim Arelatensem, etc., fuisse et esse scismaticos et apostatas, et contra nos conspiratores et blasphemos, et tanquam hereticos puniendos et reos criminis lese maiestatis ; ipsosque propter premissa excommunicatos et anathematizatos, et eos excommunicamus et anathematizamus, ac ipsos incidisse in penas et summas, tam a jure quam ab homine in talia perpetrantes inflictas et promulgatas, ac eciam in penas et summas contentas in processibus felicis recordacionis Johannis xxij^{di} et Clementis vj^{ti} Romanorum pontificum, predecessorum nostrorum, contra occupatores, invasores, et turbatores terrarum Romane ecclesie, ac eciam declaravimus dictos Robertum, Johannem, Geraldum, et Petrum, olim cardinales, fuisse et esse scismaticos depositos, et ipsos deposuimus a cardinalatibus dicte Romane ecclesie, et ab omni cardinalatûs comodo et honore, ipsosque omnibus honoribus, dignitatibus, prelaturis, personatibus, et officiis et beneficiis ecclesiasticis quibuscunque fuisse et esse privatos, et fore ad illa inhabiles, et inhabilitavimus eciam ad habenda.

Ac eciam declaravimus predictos patriarcham, archiepiscopos, et episcopos, fore depositos, et ipsos deposuimus ab omnibus dignitatibus eciam pontificalibus, et tam ipsos, quam eciam Bertrandum et Masellum prefatos ab omnibus officiis et benefi-

ciis ecclesiasticis, prelaturis quibuslibet, necnon predictos Honoratum et Antonium, olim comites, Franciscum de Vico, Johannem de Malestrete, Nicholaum Spinellum, Bernardum, Petrum de Lasaga et Guilhonetum, a quibuscunque dignitatibus et honoribus et gradu milicie ac cingulo militari privatos et depositos fuisse et esse, ipsosque privavimus et deposuimus, ac eciam declaravimus tam predictorum olim cardinalium quam eciam omnium aliorum superiùs proximè nominatorum bona mobilia et immobilia, ac jura et jurisdicciones, fuisse et esse confiscata, et confiscavimus, et personas eorum detestabiles fuisse et esse exponendas exposuimus a Christi fidelibus capiendas, ut sic captis, si absque eorum fugâ et evasionis periculo fieri posset, nobis indilatè transmitterentur, alioquin in artis carceribus traderentur, et sub fidâ custodiâ detineantur donec aliud super hoc mandaremus; credentes preterea, receptatores, et defensores, et fautores eorum excommunicacionis summâ innodavimus, absolucione ipsorum, preterquam in mortis articulo, Romano pontifici reservatâ.

Et insuper decrevimus, quod quicunque aliquem predictorum scienter presument ecclesiastice tradere sepulture excommunicacionis summe subjaceant, a quâ absolvi, preterquam in mortis articulo, non possint, nisi prius propriis manibus extumularent et procul eicerent ab ecclesiasticâ sepulturâ corpora eorundem.

Et subsequenter inhibuimus omnibus et singulis Christi fidelibus, utriusque sexûs, cuiuscunque statûs, gradûs, ordinis condicionis, dignitatis, vel prominencie existerent, eciam si regiâ, reginali, imperiali, vel pontificali, seu quâvis aliâ dignitate fulgerent, eciam si essent sancte Romane ecclesie cardinales, ne in civitatibus, castris, terris, villis, vel locis suis aliquem predictorum dampnatorum scienter recipere, seu eis ad illa aditum prebere, vel ad illa in quibus predicti dampnati vel aliquis eorum habitarent vel moram traherent, blada, vinum, carnes, pannos, ligna, victualia, pecunias, merces, res, vel quecunque alia bona ad eorum usum utilia portare, mittere, vel deferre, seu portari aut mitti vel deferri facere presumerent, nec alios quoquomodo, si hoc prohibere possent, mitti, deferri, seu portari permitterent.

[108a.] Prohibemus insuper, ne quis aliquod impedimentorum prestare auderet per se vel alium vel alios, publicè vel occultè,

directè vel indirectè, quominus predicti Robertus, Johannes, Geraldus, et Petrus, olim cardinales, et alia dampnati superiùs nominati, caperentur, detinerentur, et ad nos transmitterentur, quamvis omnibus Christi fidelibus precipimus, quod ipsi et eorum quilibet prestarent eis qui eosdem capere, seu captos detinere et ad nos transmittere vellent, optimum auxilium, consilium, et favorem.

Qui verò contra premissa vel aliquod premissorum facerent, seu qui prefatum Robertum, qui se Clementem papam nominat, scienter papam nominarent vel tenerent, vel ipsum papam crederent vel predicarent, si persona singularis, excommunicacionis, si verò communitas vel universitas essent, interdicti sentencias incurrerent, et civitates ac terre ipsorum aliorum carerent commercio civitatum, terrarum, atque locorum, ac civitates ipse pontificali se noscerent dignitate privandas.

Et volumus, quod ab huiusmodi excommunicacionis summâ nullus ab alio, quam a Romano pontifice, preterquam in mortis articulo, absolvi, nec interdictum huiusmodi per alium, quam per eundem Romanum pontificem, relaxari valeret. Omnes insuper, qui a prefato Roberto, tanquam a Romano pontifice, quascunque gracias, indulgencias, donaciones, privilegia, dispensaciones, seu prelaturas, dignitates, et personatus, seu quevis alia beneficia, seu officia ecclesiastica, vel mundana, vel per se, vel per interpositam personam, peterent, seu eciam proprio motu oblata, donata, seu concessa, attemptarent seu reciperent, decrevimus fore nichilominus et inhabilitavimus ad premissa et quevis alia beneficia ecclesiastica optinenda, et premunimus jam optinentes.

Et nichilominus, si persona singularis excommunicacionis, si verò communitas vel universitas esset interdictum incurrerent, summas eo ipso, a quâ quidem excommunicacionis summâ, preterquam in mortis articulo, aliquis per alium quam per Romanum pontificem absolvi et interdictum huiusmodi ab alio, quam a Romano pontifice, relaxari non possent.

Preterea omnes et singulos, qui prefatis dampnatis, seu eorum alicui, juramentum fidelitatis seu hominis aut cuiuslibet alterius obsequii debito submissione, obligacione, vel pacto, quâcunque firmitate vallato, antea tenebantur astricti, absolvimus, et decrevimus absolutos, penis aliis contra ipsos a jure statutis in suo robore duraturis.

Et deinde videlicet nuper tibi publicandi per te vel alios omnia premissa et contra prefatos dampnatos procedendi, ipsosque et eorum fautores credentes et adherentes prosequendi, capiendi, et carceribus mancipandi, et contra ipsos procedendi, invocato ad hoc auxilio brachii secularis, plenam et liberam concessimus facultatem, prout in diversis nostris inde confectis literis pleniùs continetur.

Nos igitur, ne tot et tantorum facinorum ac scelerum in Divine maiestatis offensam et dicte Romane ecclesie, matris cunctorum Christi fidelium et magistre, contumeliam et contemptum fideique catholice ac utilitatis reipublice detrimentum nequiter patratorum in succedencium temporum secla sine correccione debitâ in multorum perniciem memoriam deferatur;

Et ne prefati nequissimi viri per nos, ut prefertur, dampnati et adeo reprobati, qui in suis heresibus persistere et excessus excessibus cumulare ac ecclesie predicte pacem turbare, et inter Christi fideles scisma, dissenciones, et scandala ponere, cultumque Christiane fidei, sine quâ quisquam Deo placere nequit, quantum in eis est, deprivare conantur, suos pravos et dampnandos conceptus in partum producere possint, set potiùs, dexterâ Domini faciente virtutem, viriliter obsistatur eisdem, et ipsorum dampnandi propositi execucio elidatur, oportunis providere remediis cupientes, quia in hiis Dei et predicte Romane ecclesie causam agi conspicimus, illam devotè prosequentibus decrevimus eciam spiritualibus auxiliis et presidiis assistendum, ut causam ipsam eò fervenciùs prosequantur, quo exinde maioris retribucionis merita se speraverint adepturos.

Ideoque nos de Omnipotentis Dei misericordiâ et beatorum Petri et Pauli apostolorum auctoritate confisi, omnibus verè penitentibus et confessis, qui prefatum Robertum antipapam et alios dampnatos predictos ipsorumque complices et fautores receptatores atque credentes, quamdiu in huiusmodi scismate ac extra Romane ecclesie gremium perstiterint in personis et sumptibus propriis, necnon [**108 b.**] hiis, qui in personis propriis, alterius tamen expensis, expugnabunt, et super hoc per unum annum, incipiendum a die quo tu duxeris ordinandum, continuè vel interpolatim expugnacionem huiusmodi laborabunt, ecclesie sequendo vexillum, tam clericis quam laicis, et eis insuper qui suis dumtaxat expensis juxta quantitates et facultates suas des-

tinabunt, vel tibi seu alteri per te debutando ministrabunt sufficiencia stipendia, ut destinare valeas idoneos bellatores per dictum tempus moraturos et bellaturos ibidem, illam concedimus indulgenciam, que concedi per eandem sedem profisciscentibus in Terre Sancte subsidium consuevit, et in retribucione justorum salutis eterne pollicemur augmentum. Eos autem, qui non per annum integrum set per ipsius anni partem in huiusmodi Dei servicio laborabunt, juxta quantitatem laboris et devocionis affectum, participes esse volumus indulgencie supradicte.

Quod si forsan ipsorum aliquis post iter arreptum in prosecucione dicti negocii ex hâc luce migrare contigerit, vel interim negocium ipsum congruâ terminacione compleri, integrè participes esse volumus et concedimus indulgencie memorate, huiusmodi eciam remissionis volumus esse participes, juxta quantitatem subsidii et devocionis affectum omnes qui ad expugnacionem predictorum Roberti et aliorum dampnatorum ac sequacium et fautorum ipsorum tibi vel alteri per te deputando de bonis suis congruè ministrabunt.

Quocirca paternitati tue per apostolica scripta mandamus, quatenus per te vel alium seu alios in toto regno Anglie, ac in omnibus civitatibus, terris, et locis carissimi in Christo filii nostri Ricardi, regis Anglie illustris dicioni subjectis, tam citra quam ultra mare consistentibus, huiusmodi concessionem nostram, in ecclesiis et locis, quando et quociens expedire videris, solempniter publicans et exponens, et per alios, quos ad hoc idoneos reputabis, publicari et exponi faciens, ut meliùs et clariùs intelligatur ab hominibus in vulgari, fideles Christi instanciùs et efficaciùs per verborum predicaciones, et aliàs prout expediens extiterit, inducere non postponas ut suscipientes cum reverenciâ signum Crucis, ipsumque suis humeris et cordibus affigentes, ad prosequendum huiusmodi causam Dei et Romane ecclesie, ipsorum matris, viriliter se attingant, nobis quicquid super predictis feceris per tuas literas vel instrumenta publica harum principium et finem continencia fideliter rescripturus.

Romae, apud S. Petrum, viij Kal. Ap., pontificatûs nostri anno tercio.

Urbanus, etc. Dudum cum filii Beleal, videlicet Robertus, etc. (as in last bull), nescientes in semitis justicie dirigere gressus

suos, et Deum pro oculis non habentes, contra nos diversas conspiraciones, colligaciones, et machinaciones facere, et scisma in Dei ecclesiâ ponere, et civitatem Anagniensem, et nonnullas alias terras nostras et Romane ecclesie occupare et occupari facere, et quamplures alios graves et enormes excessus perpetrare et committere presumpsissent, ac deinde per nos paterno zelo moniti, ut ab huiusmodi excessibus desistere, et ab eorum erroribus resipiscere vellent, ipsi more aspidis surde aures suas obturantes, ac nolentes intelligere, ut bene agerent, in profundum descendentes malorum cum nonnullis aliis, quos cum eorum diabolicis suggestionibus ad eorum iniquum propositum sequendum attraxerant, congregati in civitate Fundanâ in domo iniquitatis filii Honorati Gayetani, olim comitis Fundorum, prefatum Robertum antipapam eligendo fecerint, quem papam nominare et nos non esse papam asserere et predicari facere dampnabiliter presumpserunt:

Cumque ad premissa tam Petrus, olim archiepiscopus Arelatensis, et camerarius noster, quam eciam [**109 a.**] Jacobus, olim patriarcha Constantinopolitanus (as in last bull), dedissent auxilium, consilium, et favorem, et multa alia et enormia contra nos et Romanam ecclesiam operati fuissent, ac omnia predicta adeo tunc essent, prout sunt, notoria, quod non ullâ poterant tergiversacione celari. Tandem nos contra predictos omnes et singulos, de fratrum nostrorum consilio, debitis juris solempnitatibus observatis, certos successivè processus fecimus per quos declaravimus ipsos omnes fuisse et esse scismaticos, apostatas, blasfemos, et contra nos conspiratores, et reos criminis lese maiestatis, et tanquam hereticos puniendos, predictos Robertum, Johannem, Geraldum, et Petrum, olim cardinales, a cardinalitatibus dicte Romane ecclesie et ab omni cardinalatûs comodo et honore, ac predictos olim patriarcham, archiepiscopos, et episcopos, et ab omnibus eciam pontificalibus, et quibuscunque aliis dignitatibus et honoribus, ac Bertrandum et Masellum eciam quibuscunque dignitatibus personatibus et officiis ac beneficiis ecclesiasticis, ac Honoratum et Antonium, olim comites, Franciscum de Vico, olim prefectum, Nicholaum Spinellum, Johannem de Malestrete, Silvestrum, Bernardum, Petrum de Lasaga, et Guilhonetum, omnibus dignitatibus et honoribus et gradu milicie ac cingulo militari fuisse et esse privatos, ipsosque privavimus, ac omnium

predictorum bona mobilia et immobilia ac jura et jurisdicciones fuisse et esse confiscata, et confiscavimus, ipsosque omnes fuisse et esse excommunicatos et anathematizatos, et incidisse in diversas penas et summas spirituales et temporales, tam a jure, quam ab homine, in talia perpetrantes inflictas, et promulgatas, ipsorumque personas detestabiles et infames fuisse exponendas et exposuimus a Christi fidelibus exponendas.

Et insuper voluimus, quod omnes et singuli Christi fideles, qui crucis assumpto caractere ad prefatorum Roberti, Johannis, Geraldi, et Petri dampnatorum capcionem et extiminium se attingerent, et eos pro posse prosequerentur, illâ gaudeant indulgenciâ illoque privilegio essent muniti, que accedentibus in Terre Sancte subsidium conceduntur.

Et deinde, videlicet nuper tibi per literas nostras mandavimus, ut premissa omnia per te et alios, ubi et quando tibi expediens videtur, publicare et publicari facere, ac fideles Christi clericos et laicos instanciùs et efficaciùs per verbum predicacionis crucis per te et alios, prout expediens esset, induces ad suscipiendum cum reverenciâ signum Crucis, ipsumque sub humeris et cordibus affigendum, et ad sequendum huiusmodi causam Dei et Romane ecclesie viriliter se attingerent, prout in diversis literis nostris inde confectis pleniùs continetur.

Volentes igitur, quod in execucione mandati nostri huiusmodi eò efficaciùs profidere valeas, quo maiori per nos fueris curâ hâc potestate munitus, tibi concedendi auctoritate apostolicâ omnibus et singulis clericis et personis ecclesiasticis, secularibus et regularibus, exemptis et non exemptis, eciam in dignitatibus, personatibus, vel officiis constitutis, qui sponte ac liberè tecum ad execucionem premissorum ire, vel huiusmodi signum Crucis recipere, ad expugnacionem predictorum scismaticorum, vel eis adherencium, viriliter attendere voluerunt licenciam liberam faciendi premissa, eciam absque suorum superiorum consensu, ac faciendi illis ex predictis personis que aliqua beneficia ecclesiastica optinent, et imposterum optinebunt, quamdiu in huiusmodi serviciis et negociis institerint, de fructibus beneficiorum suorum cum eâ integritate respondere, distribucionibus cotidianis duntaxat exceptis, cum quâ illos perciperent si in ecclesiis, in quibus beneficia ipsa consistunt, personaliter residerent, nec ad residendum interim in ecclesiis ipsis teneantur, nec ad id a quoquam compelli

possint inviti, proviso quod beneficia ipsa [109 b.] debitis interim obsequiis non fraudentur, et animarum cura, in eis quibus illa imminet, nullatenus negligatur, set per bonos et sufficientes vicarios, quibus de beneficiorum ipsorum fructibus congruè provideatur, et huiusmodi cura diligenter exerceatur et deserviatur inibi laudabiliter in divinis; contradictores quoslibet et rebelles cuiuscunque dignitatis, gradûs, statûs, preeminencie, ordinis, vel condicionis extiterint, eciam si regali vel reginali vel imperiali aut pontificali, seu quâvis aliâ ecclesiasticâ vel mundanâ prefulgeant dignitate, auctoritate nostrâ per censuram ecclesiasticam, appellacione postpositâ, compescendo; invocato ad hoc, si opus fuerit, auxilio brachii secularis, non obstantibus quibuscunque privilegiis, indulgenciis, et literis apostolicis, generalibus vel specialibus, quibuscunque personis vel locis concessis, quorumcunque tenorum existant, per que presentibus non expressa vel totaliter non inserta tue jurisdiccionis explicacio in hâc parte valeat quomodolibet impediri, et que quo ad hoc eis volumus aliquatenus suffragari.

Set si aliquibus communiter vel divisim a sede apostolicâ sit indultum, quod interdici, suspendi, vel excommunicari non possint per literas apostolicas non facientes plenam et expressam, ac de verbo in verbum de indulto huiusmodi mencionem, plenam et liberam tenore presencium concedimus facultatem.

Romae, apud S. Petrum, viij Kal. Ap., pontificatûs nostri anno tercio.

Urbanus, etc. Dignum censemus et racioni congruum arbitramur, ut que in omnium injuriam et offensam nequiter perpetrantur, ad communem omnium noticiam proferantur et deducantur in publicam nocionem.

Dudum siquidem cum filii Beleal, videlicet Robertus, etc. (as before), nescientes in semitis justicie dirigere gressus suos, etc.

Cupientes igitur, quod premissa omnia ad communem Christi fidelium deducantur noticiam, ut fideles ipsi a predictorum perversorum, qui alios ad participium secum trahere moliuntur, astuciùs preserventur, ac de tue prudencie ac circumspeccionis industriâ specialem in Domino fiduciam optinentes, paternitati tue per apostolica scripta committimus et districtè precipiendo

mandamus, quatenus *loricam fidei induens et gladium spiritûs, quod est verbum Dei, assumens*, contra prefatos scismaticos et Dei ac eius sancte ecclesie inimicos et adherentes ac faventes eisdem, adversusque alios omnes, qui famam nostram denigrare, vel eorum falsis latratibus contra statum et honorem nostrum vel dicte ecclesie aliqua dicere aut facere presumpserint, vehementer insurgas, et tam in publicis quam in privatis sermonibus et predicacionibus tuis innocenciam nostram et predicte ecclesie causam defensurus assumas.

Nos enim tibi in provinciis Cantuariensi, et Eboracensi, et Cassellensi,[1] ac earum civitatibus et diocesibus, et quibuslibet aliis locis et terris regni Anglie publicandi per te vel alios premissa omnia et singula ac alios de [110 a.] quibus tibi videbitur, quod sint scismatis labe reperti, coram te evocari faciendi, ipsosque abjurandum scisma, et ad prestandum in tuis manibus juratoriam canonicam, quod in nostrâ et dicte Romane ecclesie devocione ac fidelitate persistent, compellendi et insuper capiendi et capi faciendi, et carceribus mancipandi prefatos dampnatos, et quoscunque alios eidem Roberto antipape credentes et adherentes seu faventes, receptores et defensores eorundem dampnatorum, eciam si fuerint cuiuscunque religionis vel ordinis, eciam meditancium, et contra ipsos procedendi, eciam ex officio et per viam inquisicionis vel aliàs, prout erit expediens, ac illos de quibus tibi summariè et de plano sine strepitu et figurâ judicii legitimè constiterit, quod prefato Roberto adhereant, eciam si fuerint fratres, seu preceptores, seu aliàs professi domorum vel hospitalium S. Johannis Ierosolomitani, aut beate Marie Theotonicorum, vel cuiuscunque seu quorumcunque aliorum regularium ordinum professores, privatos eciam omnibus eorum officiis et eciam ecclesiasticis beneficiis, eciam si canonicatus et prebende aut dignitates, personatus, vel officia, in cathedralibus vel metropolitanis ecclesiis fuerint, vel curam habeant animarum, similiter declarandi, assumendi quoque insuper tecum pro execucione premissorum faciliùs faciendi, si tibi expedire videbitur, quoscunque religiosos, eciam quorumvis ordinum mendicancium professores, et illos ad Romanam curiam pro premissorum execucione, si opus fuerit, destinandi et transmittendi, necnon contradictores

[1] The archbishop of Cashel came back from Rome with great powers of indulgence, and a mission to preach against the antipope.—*Walsingham*, i, 390.

quoslibet et rebelles cuiusque dignitatis, gradûs, statûs, preeminencie, ordinis, vel condicionis extiterint, eciam si regali aut reginali vel imperiali aut pontificali seu quâvis aliâ ecclesiasticâ vel mundanâ dignitate prefulgeant.

Invocato ad hoc, si opus fuerit, auxilio brachii secularis, non obstantibus quibuscunque privilegiis, indulgenciis, vel literis apostolicis, generalibus vel specialibus, quibuscunque personis vel locis seu ordinibus concessis quorumcunque tenorum existunt, per que presentibus non expressa vel totaliter non inserta tue jurisdiccionis explicacio in hâc parte valeat quomodolibet impediri, et que quoad hoc eis volumus aliquatenus suffragari; seu si aliquibus, communiter vel divisim, a sede apostolicâ sit indultum quod interdici suspendi vel excommunicari non possint, per literas apostolicas non facientes plenam et expressam ac de verbo ad verbum de indulto huiusmodi mencionem, plenam et liberam tenore presencium concedimus facultatem.

Volumus autem, quod de nominibus et cognominibus illorum, quibus beneficia huiusmodi conferes, et quos per te declarari continget, suis beneficiis, ut prefertur, fore privatos, ac eciam de nominibus beneficiorum huiusmodi cameram apostolicam seu collectorem proventuum eidem camere debitorum in illis partibus deputatum certificari procures.

Romae, apud S. Petrum, Id. Maii, anno pontificatûs nostri quinto.

[110 b.] Powers conferred on chancellor of the diocese:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto nobis in Christo venerabili viro Willelmo Lozyng, canonico ecclesie Sarum, cancellario nostro, salutem in omnium Salvatore. Ad cognoscendum, procedendum, statuendum, et diffiniendum in omnibus causis et negociis, eciam matrimonialibus et divorcii, coram nobis aut nostris commissariis quibuscunque, tam ex officio nostro mero, quam ad instanciam seu provocacionem partium quarumcunque, contra quoscunque nostre diocesis, motis vel movendis, ipsaque causas et negocia cum suis emergentibus, incidentibus, dependentibus, et connexis, et si ad amocionem alicuius ab officio seu beneficio suo procedi contigerit, fine debito terminandi, criminaque et excessus quorumcunque subditorum nostrorum corrigendi et canonicè puniendi, ceteraque omnia et singula faciendi, exercendi, et expediendi,

que in premissis et circa ea necessaria fuerint seu eciam oportuna, vobis, de cuius fidelitate, consciencie puritate, et circumspeccionis industriâ plenè confidimus, vices nostras committimus, cum cuiuslibet cohercionis et execucionis canonice potestate.—Farnham, 9 Jan., 1373–4.

Commission directed to Thomas de Sheptone and John de Kelleseye to punish any excesses detected in the last visitation. —*Ib.*, 10 Feb.

Dimissory for Richard Markwyke, of Hascombe, to first tonsure, cum prestacione, quod si fuerit nativus suus, per huiusmodi concessionem non intenditur prejudicare sibi nec ecclesie sue Wyntoniensi.[1]—Same date.

License for a private oratory granted to John de Warblyngtone and Katherine his wife, for one year :—

Vicesimâ die mensis Februarii, anno supradicto, apud Wolveseye, prefatus ds. episcopus concessit licenciam Johanni de Warblyngtone et Katherine uxori sue communiter et divisim, quod possent facere celebrari coram eis in oratorio seu alio loco honesto per capellanos idoneos ubicunque infra diocesim Wyntoniensem ipsos morari contigerit per unum annum a dicto die tantummodo duraturam.

Commission directed to prior and convent of Mottisfont to collect the tenth granted in 1374 within the archdeaconry of Winchester, and to abbot and convent of Waverley to collect it within the archdeaconry of Surrey "in auxilium expensarum, quas tam pro expedicione guerre nostre in partibus transmarinis, quam propter necessariam defensionem regni nostri Anglie et ecclesie Anglicane nos facere oportebit," one moiety payable by St. John Baptist's Day, the other by the Purification.

[**111 a.**] Excommunication denounced against coney stealers within the manors of Farnham and Crondall :—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis archidiacono nostro Surreiensi et eius officiali, necnon decanis de Farnham, Guldeforde, Basyngestoke, et Aultone, nostre diocesis, et singulis rectoribus, vicariis

[1] A nativus or bondman was disqualified for Orders, and this proviso was meant to imply that if Markwyke was really one of the bishop's bondmen, it should not be inferred that he was not one from the circumstance of his obtaining from him letters dimissory.

ecclesiarum, ac capellanis parochialibus per dictum archidiaconatum constitutis, s. g. et b. Licet omnes et singuli, qui de maneriis et grangiis seu locis aliis ad archiepiscopos, episcopos, seu alias personas ecclesiasticas, vel ad ipsas ecclesias pertinentibus quicquam preter dominorum vel eorum, qui sunt huiusmodi locorum custodiis deputati, voluntatem seu permissionem auferre, abstrahere, contrectare, seu consumere presumpserint, sint maioris excommunicacionis summâ auctoritate felicis recordacionis domini Ottoboni, quondam sedis apostolice in Angliâ legati, que incipit *Ad Tutelam*, ipso facto innodati[1]: fama tamen in variis locis dicte nostre diocesis a fidedignis exorta ad nostrum noviter pervenit auditum, quod nonnulli perdicionis filii, quorum nomina ignorantur, preter et persone sue, proprie salutis obliti, nemora, pascua, warennas, parcos, chacyas, et alia loca maneriorum de Farnham et Crundale, et aliorum quamplurium maneriorum nostrorum dicte nostre diocesis, ad nos et mensam nostram episcopalem notoriè pertinencium, tam diurno quam nocturno tempore, cum suis machinis, rethibus, laqueis, canibus, archubus, et sagittis, ac misteriis aliis pro capiendis cuniculis et aliis feris bestiis fabricatis, clandestinè ingredientes, cuniculos nostros et alias feras bestias nostras in multitudine copiosâ, contra voluntatem nostram aut permissionem tam nostrî quam ballivorum nostrorum, ministrorum, et custodum locorum predictorum, ceperint, abstraxerint, contrectaverint, abstulerint, et consumpserint, illicitè et injustè, in animarum suarum grave periculum et aliorum scandalum plurimorum, maioris excommunicacionis summam contra malefactores huiusmodi, sicut prefertur, promulgatam ipso facto dampnabiliter incurrendo:

Nos igitur, volentes jura ecclesie nostre tueri et protegere illibata, precipuè gladio spirituali, ac saluti animarum eorum, quantum in nobis est, providere, vobis communiter et divisim districtè precipimus et mandamus, in virtute sancte obediencie et sub maioris excommunicacionis summe penâ firmiter injungendo, quatenus omnes et singulos huiusmodi malefactores in dictam excommunicacionis summam incidisse, ac sic excommunicatos fuisse et esse, in singulis ecclesiis vestris, et precipuè in ecclesiis parochialibus de Godalmynge, Cumptone, Puttenham, et Piperharwe, necnon in ecclesiâ parochiali de Wyttele et capellis

[1] See p. 125*n*.

quibuscunque eidem annexis infra nostram diocesim notoriè constitutis, diebus dominicis et festivis, inter missarum solempnia cum maior affuerit cleri et populi multitudo . . . denuncietis, etc. —London, 10 April, 1374.

[**111 b.**] License of non residence for one year granted to Simon, r. of Bletchingley (vol. i, p. 44), to study in University of Oxford; with liberty to let the benefice.—Southwark, 11 April.

Grant of administration of the goods of Sir Simon de Cudyngtone, kt., deceased, granted to William Hardegray, of Cuddington, and William Kentyssh, of Carshalton.—*Ib.*, 25 April.

[**129 b.**] Administration of same estate re-granted 4 August, 1375, to Richard Griffin and Idonea the widow.

[**111 b.**] License granted to Edmund Spircok to have divine service performed in a private oratory within his mansion at Andover during the pleasure of the bishop.—*Ib.*, 27 April.

[**112 a.**] Dimissory for John Ludesshulue[1] ut a quocunque episcopo . . ad omnes minores ordines.—*Ib.*, 1 May.

Dimissory for John Tynnyng, of Amport, to priest's orders, Richard Reson, of Chertsey, to subdeacon's orders, and Thomas Tibold, of Abbot's Ann, to deacon's orders.—*Ib.*, 26 May.

Administration of goods of William Beke, r. of Colmer, granted to John, vicar of Newentone (Newton Valence), and Stephen Welewyke.—Wolvesey, 5 April.

[**112.**] Commission to close inquiry and punish excesses detected in bishop's visitation:—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis nobis in Christo, venerabilibus viris magistris Johanni de Wormenhale, canonico Sarum, officiali nostro principali, Johanni de Schepeye, cancellario ecclesie Lichfieldiensis, Willelmo Lozyng, canonico Bangorensi, et Johanni de Kelleseye, canonico ecclesie Lincolniensis, s. g. et b. De vestris discrecione et puritate consciencie plenam in Domino

[1] From Ludshelve (Litchfield), a parish four miles north of Whitchurch. "Ludgershall," in vol. i, pp. 239, 419, should be "Ludshelve."

fiduciam optinentes, ad cognoscendum, procedendum, statuendum, et diffiniendum in quibuscunque negociis visitacionum nostrarum, quas nuper inter religiosos quoscunque nostre diocesis exercuimus, juxta naturas et qualitates eorundem, ac juxta formam retroactorum in eisdem habitorum, necnon ad corrigendum et canonicè puniendum crimina et excessus quorumcunque religiosorum huiusmodi, et ad reformandum debitè ea, que inter eosdem indigent reformacione, ceteraque omnia et singula facienda, exercenda, et expedienda, que in premissis et circa ea necessaria fuerint seu eciam oportuna, cum suis emergentibus, incidentibus, dependentibus, et connexis, eciam si ad amocionem alicuius vel aliquorum a suis administracionibus vel officiis, exigente justiciâ, procedi contigerit, vobis communiter et divisim tenore presencium vices nostras committimus, donec eas ad nos duxerimus revocandas, cum cuiuslibet cohercionis et execucionis canonice potestate.—Highclere, 1 June, 1374.

[112 b.] Mandate to prior of St. Swithun's to cite the chapter for same purpose:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio priori ecclesie nostre cathedralis Wyntoniensis, s. g. et b. Nuper cum in ecclesiâ nostrâ predictâ visitacionis nostre officium, que intermissa ad tempus pendere dinoscitur hactenus incompleta, prout ex sollicitudine pastorali tenebamur, tam in capite quam in membris personaliter exercuimus, quedam statûs ecclesie nostre predicte et religionis vestre reformacionem et emendacionem exigencia per inquisiciones nostras generales inibi pro tunc factas repperimus corrigenda, que coram vobis a capitulo ac confratribus dicte ecclesie nondum extiterunt publicata:

Nos igitur, volentes quantum de jure poterimus ulteriùs ad finalem expedicionem dicte visitacionis nostre sic pendentis, et in correccione, reformacione, et emendacione dictorum compertorum procedere viâ juris, vobis tenore presencium committimus et mandamus, firmiter injungentes, quatenus prefatum capitulum, ac omnes commonachos eiusdem ecclesie nostre, absentes et presentes, premunias seu citetis, premuniri seu citari peremptoriè faciatis.

Vos eciam tenore presencium premunimus peremptoriè seu citamus, quod compareatis et compareant coram nobis vel nostris,

si tunc forsitan fuerimus impediti, certis commissariis in domo capitulari ecclesie nostre prelibate (blank) proximâ post instans festum S. (blank) proximè futurum, cum continuacione et prorogacione dierum tunc sequencium, premissa humiliter et debitè subituri, ac publicacionem dictorum compertorum fieri visuri, et audituri ulteriùs quoque in premissis et ea contingentibus, quatenus vos et quemlibet ipsorum concernunt ex officio nostro vobis et eis exprimenda, processuri, facturi in omnibus, et recepturi, quod premissorum qualitas et natura ac juris tramites exigunt et requirunt.

Terminum verò peremptorium supradictum et abbreviacionem eiusdem propter maturacionem premissorum ciciùs procurandam ac animarum pericula ex eisdem imminencia cauciùs evitandum et alias causas legitimas nos moventes sic duximus moderandum, statuendum, ac eciam assignandum.

De diebus vero recepcionis, etc.—Southwark, — June.

[112.] Mandate enabling rector of Lambeth to enforce payment of a rate for repairs of parish church:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio m. Ricardo Wodelonde, r. ecclesie de Lambhethe, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Ad cognoscendum et procedendum in quibuscunque causis, quas dilecti filii parochiani ecclesie de Lambhethe predicte contra quoscunque infra dictam parochiam inhabitantes et eciam alios qui bona mobilia et immobilia infra ipsam parochiam obtinere noscuntur, qui ad reparacionem sive refeccionem ecclesie predicte contribuere teneri pretenduntur occasione non contribucionis ad refeccionem sive reparacionem ecclesie predicte, et campanilis eiusdem, que necessariâ et eciam notoriâ indigent reparacione, movere intendunt communiter vel divisim, ipsasque causas, cum suis emergentibus incidentibus dependentibus et connexis, fine debito terminandas, ac eciam ad compellendum canonicè eosdem ex officio, si opus fuerit, ad contribucionem huiusmodi debitè faciendam per censuras ecclesiasticas quascunque, ceteraque omnia et singula facienda exercenda et expedienda, que in premissis et circa ea necessaria fuerint seu eciam oportuna, vobis, de cuius circumspeccione plenè confidimus, vices nostras committimus per presentes, cum cuiuslibet cohercionis canonice potestate, usque ad instans festum S. Petri ad vincula quod dicitur *Advincula* duraturum, etc.—*Ib.*, 7 June.

[126 a.] Rector of Lambeth enjoined to admonish certain children of iniquity, whose names on a scroll accompanied the mandate, to pay their contributions forthwith, under pain of excommunication.—Esher, 18 April, 1375.

[113 a.] License of non-residence for three years granted to John Tank, r. of Warnford (vol. i, p. 25), to study at the University of Oxford.—Southwark, 24 June, 1374.

Similar license for one year granted to Amandus Fytlynge, r. of Lingfield (vol. i, p. 100), in order to be in attendance on his patron (in obsequiis patroni sui commorando).—*Ib.*, 9 July.

R. of Highclere (Robert Wolvele, vol. i, p. 77) licensed to accept a stipend of £8 for two years' commendations of a deceased person in the parish church, on the plea that the living was poor and the rector in debt:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio Roberto rectori ecclesie de Altâ Clerâ, nostre dioc., s. g. et b. Exilitatem fructuum reddituum et proventuum dicte ecclesie tue attendens, necnon quod gravium debitorum onere multipliciter es oppressus, super quibus tibi supplicâsti per nos de aliquo subvencionis congruo remedio provideri: Ut pro animâ Roberti nuper vicarii perpetui ecclesie parochialis de Ardyngtone Sarum dio. defuncti possis per biennium a datâ confeccionis presencium continuè numerandum divina officia in ecclesiâ tuâ predictâ licitè celebrare, et stipendia usque ad summam octo librarum sterlingorum percipere ex causâ predictâ in augmentum sustentacionis vite tue licenciam tibi tenore presencium concedimus specialem.

Proviso tamen quod dicta ecclesia tua interim dictis obsequiis non fraudetur, et animarum cura in eâdem nullatenus negligatur. —Highclere, 17 July.

Commission to William Loxle and others[1] to get in assets of John of St. Neot's, late r. of Shere (vol. i, p. 61):—

Cum omnium et singulorum nostre diocesis ab intestato decedencium bonorum quorumcunque infra nostram diocesim existencium disposicio et administracio ad nos pertineant, eciam

[1] The ordinary had the care of intestates' goods; but by Stat. 31 Ed. III, c. ii, he might depute the nearest and most lawful friends of an intestate to do so.

de consuetudine ecclesie nostre Wynton. legitimè prescriptâ et pacificè observatâ, ac, ut accepimus, dilectus filius ds. Johannes de Sancto Neoto, nuper rector ecclesie parochialis de Schire, nostre diocesis predicte, diem suum ab intestato clausit iam extremum, cuius pretextu ipsius bonorum omnium in nostrâ diocesi existencium disposicio et administracio ad nos pertinent et pertinere dinoscuntur.

Ad sequestrandum igitur nomine nostro omnia et singula bona dicti domini Johannis sic defuncti infra nostram diocesim predictam existencia, ipsaque sub arto sequestro custodiendum, que nos eciam ex habundanti ex causis variis et legitimis tenore presencium sequestramus, dictaque bona exigenda colligenda et recipienda, fructusque eciam et proventus dicte ecclesie de Schire autumpnales ad dictum defunctum pertinentes inhorreandos, animaliaque et alia ipsius defuncti bona, que servando salvari non possunt, justo precio vendenda, et ea vendicioni exponenda, ac pecuniam inde recipiendam unà cum bonis supradictis salvò custodiendam, fideleque inventarium de omnibus bonis huiusmodi conficiendum, ceteraque omnia et singula facienda et expedienda, que in premissis et circa ea necessaria fuerint seu oportuna, vobis . . . . committimus per presentes, mandantes, quatenus de omni eo, quod feceritis et inveneritis in premissis, nos . . . certificetis . . inventarium, de quo premittitur, nobis transmittentes.—*Ib.*, 30 August.

[**116 a.**] Administration of the same estate re-committed to r. of Albury, and John Southebrocke, of Shere.—Southwark, 18 Oct., 1374.

[**113 b.**] Mandate for prayers for peace, directed to the prior of St. Swithun's and the archdeacons' officials.—Highclere, 9 Sept.

[**114 a.**] License to Thomas, bp. of Ely,[1] to confer orders in the chapel of his manor house at Betchworth, and to consecrate altar tops:—

Willelmus, etc. Vestre paternitatis honoribus votivis affectibus annuentes, ut hâc instanti die Sabbati quatuor temporum post festum S. Mathei apostoli proximè jam futurum in capellâ

[1] Thomas Arundel, 1374, translated to York, 1388.

manerii de Bechesworth, seu in alio loco congruo et honesto infra nostram diocesim constituto pro vestre voluntatis arbitrio ad hoc eligendo generales ordines liberè celebrare possitis, ac omnes et singulos nostre diocesis religiosos et seculares a nobis et eciam alienos quoscunque a suis diocesanis sufficienter dimissos, et literas dimissorias vobis ostendentes, et ad omnes minores, quos nondum sunt adepti, ac eciam omnes sacros ordines, dictis die et loco, dumtamen literaturâ, moribus, natalibus, et etate ad ipsos ordines suscipiendos reperti fuerint idonei, ipsique pro huiusmodi sacris ordinibus suscipiendis titlos vobis exhibuerint sufficientes, et aliud eis canonicum non obsistat, licitè promovere et ordinare eciam valeatis.

Quodque superaltaria vestra quecunque, eciam infra nostram diocesim, consecrare insuper liberè possitis, paternitati vestre reverende vices nostras committimus et tenore presencium in Domino concedimus facultatem et licenciam specialem, quamdiu nobis placuerit duraturam.[1]—Highclere, 19 Sept., 1374.

Dimissory for f. John de Tanrugge, canon of Reygate, to priest's orders.—*Ib.*, 19 Sept.

Mandate from Simon, bp. of London, to collect a halfpenny in the mark towards a sum of 2900 florins for the expenses of Bernard, bp. of Pamplona, and Ralph, bp. of Sinigaglia, during the 122 days of their mission to Flanders, and 18 florins for the services of their notary during 30 days.—Published at Farnham, 2 October.

[**115 a.**] Excommunication denounced against certain who laid violent hands on an apparitor:—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis archidiacono nostro Surreiensi, vel eius officiali, decano de Guldeforde, ac rectori ecclesie de Chidyngfolde, necnon singulis rectoribus, vicariis, et capellanis parochialibus per dictum decanatum constitutis, s. g. et b. Querelam dilecti filii Johannis Veel, presbyteri nostre diocesis, gravem recepimus, continentem quod nuper die lune xxv^{tâ} mensis Septembris ultimò preteriti, dum iter suum per villam de Chidyngfolde, dicte nostre diocesis, super execucione cuiusdam mandati nostri arriperet, nonnulli Satane satellites, quorum nomina ignorantur penitus et persone, spiritu ducti diabolico, in ipsum

[1] Renewed 13 August, 1380.

impetuosè irruentes manus in eundem in casu a jure non proviso injecerunt temerè violentas, ipsumque usque ad sanguinis effusionem enormem graviter vulnerando et aliter enormiter pertractando semianimem relinquentes, maioris excommunicacionis summam a canone *si quis suadente diabolo*[1] latam dampnabiliter incurrendo, in eiusdem Johannis grave prejudicium, perniciosum exemplum et scandalum plurimorum; super quibus petiit per nos de remedio sibi providere oportuno.

Nolentes igitur, sicuti non valemus, tantum facinus in nostrâ diocesi oculis conniventibus pertransire impunitum, vobis omnibus et singulis in virtute obediencie et sub maioris excommunicacionis summe penâ committimus et mandamus, firmiter injungentes, quatenus in ecclesiâ de Chidyngfolde predictâ et aliis ecclesiis vobis subditis diebus dominicis, etc. (excommunication denounced in usual form).—Farnham, 3 Oct.

[115 b.] Subprior[2] and convent of Reygate forbidden to allow parishioners to attend mass in the convent chapel:—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis suppriori et conventui prioratûs de Reygate nostre dioc., s. g. et b. Famâ publicâ referente ad nostrum pervenit auditum, quod vos nonnullos ecclesie parochialis de Reygate, nostre diocesis predicte, parochianos ad missas et alia divina officia diebus dominicis et aliis festivis in ecclesiâ vestrâ conventuali per nonnulla tempora jam effluxa admisistis et admittatis in presenti, sacramenta et sacramentalia ecclesiastica in casu a jure non proviso eisdem multociens ministrando, contra canonicas sancciones, quorum pretextu parochiani supradicti eorum ecclesiam supradictam diebus huiusmodi nequiter deserentes, in errores varios perlabi dinoscuntur, dum pastoris proprii vultum et ipsius salubria monita contempnunt, et ad ovile confugiunt alienum, in grave ipsorum periculum animarum, rectoris et vicarii dicte ecclesie de Reygate, et ipsius ecclesie prejudicium, dampnum, et gravamen, perniciosum eciam exemplum et scandalum plurimorum.

Animarum igitur subditorum saluti in hiis prospicere cupientes, vos communiter et divisim tenore presencium requirimus

[1] "Si quis, suadente diabolo, huius sacrilegii reatum incurrerit, quod in clericum violentas manus injecerit, anathematis vinculo subjaceat."—*Gibs.*, p. 9.

[2] The priorate was vacant: vol. i, p. 54.

et monemus, vobis nichilominus districciùs inhibentes, ne parochianos supradictos ad missas seu alia divina officia diebus dominicis seu aliis festivis, in prejudicium ecclesie parochialis aut rectoris seu vicarii supradictorum admittere, seu sacramenta aut sacramentalia ecclesiastica in casu a jure non proviso eisdem ministrare aliqualiter presumat, set sanctorum patrum in hâc parte canonica instituta per omnia deceterò observet, sub penâ maioris excommunicacionis, quam in contemnentes intendimus canonicè fulminare.—Southwark, 14 Oct., 1374.

Monition for the parishioners to attend mass at the parish church:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio decano de Ewell, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Famâ publicâ referente ad nostrum pervenit auditum, quod nonnulli parochiani ecclesie parochialis de Reygate, nostre diocesis, diebus dominicis et aliis festivis, quibus ad eorum ecclesiam parochialem accedere astringuntur, missas et alia divina officia devociùs audituri, ecclesiam conventualem prioratûs de Reygate et loca aliena ipsorum, ecclesiam propriam parochialem supradictam nequiter deserentes, pro huiusmodi divinis obsequiis audiendo, devocionem amplectentes quodammodo peregrinam, adire et ad ipsa convolare presumunt contra canonicas sancciones, ibidemque missâ matutinali seu aliâ missâ peculiari per ipsos vix auditâ, ad tabernas, somerhabitaciones,[1] conventicula, et alia multociens prophana et inhonesta, prohdolor! divertere non verentur, in varios multociens perlabentes errores, dum propter ipsorum absenciam diebus supradictis ab ecclesiâ suâ parochiali memoratorum doctoris disciplinam non audiant, nesciant quo vadant, debitum omittentes et inhibita committentes in suarum grave periculum animarum, perniciosum exemplum et scandalum.

Animarum subditorum nostrorum periculo huiusmodi obviare volentes, vobis committimus et mandamus firmiter injungentes, quatenus diebus dominicis et festivis proximè futuris ad dictam ecclesiam parochialem de Reygate accedens, parochianos eiusdem canonicè in genere moneas auctoritate nostrâ, quos nos eciam tenore presencium requirimus et monemus, quatenus ab illicitis huiusmodi de ceterò resipiscant, et ad ipsorum ecclesiam

[1] Summer-houses, drinking booths.

parochialem supradictam diebus dominicis et aliis festivis de ceterò accedant, ut tenentur, missas et alia divina officia ac alia salubria monita devocione debitâ audituri, sacramenta et sacramentalia ecclesiastica recepturi, facturique ulteriùs in eâ parte juxta canonicas sancciones, sub penâ excommunicacionis maioris, etc.—*Ib.*, 14 Oct.

[**116 a.**] William, r. of Buckland, appointed sequestrator for archdeaconry of Surrey (form p. 8).—Same date.

[**116 b.**] License of non-residence for one year granted to r. of Merrow (Robert West, vol. i, p. 23) in common form.—*Ib.*, 22 Oct.

Mandate directed to William Lozyng, chancellor of the diocese, and John de Kelleseye, to visit Sandon hospital.—Esher, 2 Nov.

[**117 a.**] Mandate for the chancellor of the diocese to proceed against John, r. of Bramdean, William, v. of Itchenstoke, and John Brode, r. of East Tisted, and their respective concubines, for incontinence.—Highclere, 1 Dec.

[**121 a.**] Form of submission of vicar of Itchenstoke :—

In Dei nomine, amen. Ego, Willelmus Alve (vol. i, p. 104), perpetuus vicarius ecclesie parochialis de Ichenestoke, Wynton. dioc., coram vobis reverendo, etc., vestrove commissario quocunque, judicialiter pro tribunali sedente, purè, sponte, et ex certâ meâ sciencià confiteor et recognosco palam et publicè, quod ego quandam Emmam Warde, mulierem parochialem, et filiam meam spiritualem, in amplexibus incestuosis sive fornicariis per nonnulla tempora tenui palam et publicè, ipsam infra diocesim Wyntoniensem predictam pluries carnaliter cognoscendo, et proles de eâdem procreando, quas pro meis tenui et recognovi palam et publicè, et de bonis vicarie mee predicte alui et sustentavi, crimen incestûs spiritualis et gravis fornicacionis cum eâdem Emmâ nequiter committendo.

Quodque ab eâdem vicariâ meâ predictâ, postquam institutus fueram canonicè in eâdem, et in pacificâ possessione corporali eiusdem, juriumque et pertinencium suorum universorum, absque causâ racionabili quâcunque per non modica

tempora pluries me absentavi, licenciâ seu aliâ dispensacione legitimâ super hoc non petitâ nec obtentâ, ipsam vicariam meam inofficiatam nequiter deserendo, et curam parochianorum dicte ecclesie michi commissam miserabiliter negligendo, reatum perjurii in eâ parte dampnabiliter incurrendo.

Quodque vos, reverende pater, et officium vestrum contra me ad premissorum criminum et excessuum reformacionem et ad anime mee debitam correccionem pluries institutum per appellaciones meas frivolas et inanes et aliâ subterfugia correccionem vestram huiusmodi fugiendo pluries vexavi et fatigavi indebitè nequiter et injustè in anime mee et parochianorum meorum predictorum grave periculum et perniciosum exemplum et scandalum plurimorum.

Super quibus omnibus et singulis confiteor et recognosco famam publicam atque vocem laborâsse et laborare eciam in presenti.

Et super eisdem omnibus et singulis submitto me, statum meum, et vicariam meam predictam, in alto et in basso, vestris correccioni et disposicioni, ordinacioni, decreto, laudo,[1] et arbitrio, quibus stare juro et fideliter promitto, reverende pater et domine mi supradicte.

Renuncio insuper in hiis scriptis purè sponte palam publicè et expressè, ac ex certâ meâ scienciâ, omnibus et singulis provocacionibus et appellacionibus et querelis per me occasione premissorum seu nomine meo qualitercunque factis seu interpositis, quas omnes et singulas frivolas et inanes ac ex causis fictis et frivolis interpositas fuisse et esse sponte et publicè recognosco, fiendisque et interponendis et earum processibus quibuscunque excepcionibus et replicacionibus quibuscunque, eciam doli mali et alterius cuiuscunque fuerint nature, ac aliis omnibus juris et facti remediis per que ista submissio mea suum plenum et debitum non deberet seu non posset sortiri effectum.

Et juro ad hec sancta Dei evangelia per me corporaliter tacta, quod premissa omnia et singula, quatenus me concernunt, in omnibus et per omnia perpetuis temporibus fideliter observabo.

[**121 b.**] Similar submissions on the part of rectors of Bramdean and East Tisted.

[1] Statutum, decretum.—Du Cange.

[117 a.] Mandate directed to official of archdeaconry of Winchester to sequestrate the archidiaconate, and the churches of Froyle, Hursley, and Newton Valence, and the vicarage of Kingsclere, and the prebend of St. Laurence in Romsey church, for arrears of pensions.—Highclere, 1 Dec., 1374.

[117 b.] Similar mandate, directed to official of archdeacon of Surrey, touching pensions from churches of Dorking, Leatherhead, and Witley.

License to clergy of archdeaconry of Winchester to confess and absolve their parishioners in the pestilence time[1]:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio, officiali archidiaconi nostri Wyntoniensis, s. g. et b. Subditorum nostrorum saluti eo fervenciùs prospicere nos oportet, quod eos ab hâc luce quasi subitò subtractos generali hominum pestilenciâ jam urgente prospicimus. Ut omnes et singuli ecclesiarum dicti archidiaconatûs rectores, et in eorum absenciâ ipsorum parochiales sacerdotes, ecclesiarumque perpetui vicarii in dicto archidiaconatu constituti, confessiones omnium et singulorum parochianorum huiusmodi ecclesiarum, quibus presunt, in casibus nobis de jure vel consuetudine specialiter reservatis audire, ipsosque a peccatorum suorum maculis, que sibi confitebuntur, absolvere, et eisdem in huiusmodi casibus penitencias injungere salutares licitè valeant, pro dictâ generali hominum pestilenciâ in ipsis parochiis huiusmodi durante, ipsis et eorum cuilibet tenore presencium committimus vices nostras, eisque liberam in Domino concedimus facultatem, usque eam interim duxerimus revocandam, etc.—Highclere, 11 Dec.

A similar license was granted to clergy of archdeaconry of Surrey.

Citation, pursuant to writ, of Robert Wykford, archdeacon of Winchester and constable of Bordeaux, to account at the Exchequer.—Highclere, 27 Dec., 1374.

[118 a.] Mandate from prior and chapter of Canterbury, the see being vacant, to the bishop, directing him to levy a farthing

[1] A little later, according to *Walsingham* (i, 368), Urban VI granted remission of sins by bull to all who died in this sickness "exceptis hiis, qui ære alieno gravabantur."

in the £. towards a sum of 1200 florins laid on the province for the support of the archbishop of Ravenna during his mission to France and England at the rate of twelve florins a day; dated at Canterbury, v Kal. Dec., 1374.

[119 a.] Letter from the prior and convent of Canterbury to the bishop, accusing him of negligence and delay in collecting and remitting the halfpenny in the mark for the bishops of Pamplona and Sinigaglia, and insisting that the sum due from the diocese shall be remitted to Bruges within thirty days, under pain of excommunication.—Dated at Canterbury, viij Id. Dec., 1374.

[120 b.] Mandate to the archdeacon of Winchester for collection of the halfpenny in the mark and the farthing in the £:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio archidiacono nostro Wynton., eiusve officiali, aut ipsius commissario cuicunque, s. g. et b. Nuper ad exigendum, colligendum, et levandum et recipiendum singulos obolos de singulis marcis singulorum beneficiorum ecclesiasticorum civitatis et archidiaconatûs Wynton. predicti a quibuscunque viris et personis ecclesiasticis et aliis bona et beneficia huiusmodi in ipsis civitate et archidiaconatu obtinentibus, exemptis et non exemptis, pro expensis et procuracionibus venerabilium patrum, dominorum Bernardi, Dei graciâ Pampilonensis et Radulphi Senogaliensis episcoporum, ac discreti viri Egidii, sancti Minionis prepositi, sancti Valentini, legum doctoris, sedis apostolice nunciorum, necnon ad exigendum, levandum et colligendum ac recipiendum singulos quadrantes de singulis libris bonorum et beneficiorum ecclesiasticorum predictorum a quibuscunque personis supradictis pro procuracionibus domini archiepiscopi Ravennensis, nuper in Angliâ apostolice sedis nuncii, necnon ad liberandum et solvendum dictos obolos et quadrantes infra certum tempus iam effluxum certis receptoribus Londoniis in eâ parte deputatis, auctoritate apostolicâ nobis in hâc parte commissâ nostras certi tenoris literas meminimus direxisse.

Et, licet nostras literas vobis transmissas congruis loco et tempore recepistis, vos tamen ipsas execucioni debite demandare citra non curâstis, set plus debitò distulistis, in dicte sedis apos-

tolice et nostrûm contemptum manifestum, penas et censuras ecclesiasticas in dictis literis contentas ipso facto incurrendo.

Nos eciam subsequenter alias certorum tenorum literas graves censuras ecclesiasticas continentes pro predictis procuracionibus, que a retro adhuc existunt, in vestro defectu non solute, levandum et colligendum, preter et ultra summas predictas, singulos quadrantes de singulis libris singulorum bonorum et beneficiorum ecclesiasticorum predictorum a quibuscunque personis supradictis pro procuracionibus predictorum reverendorum patrum dominorum Pampilonensis et Senogaliensis episcoporum et Egidii, sancti Minionis prepositi, sancti Valentini, nunciorum predictorum xxvij^{mo} die huius mensis Decembris recepimus, quarum tenores, propter ipsarum prolixitates ac ipsorum negociorum celeritatem nimiam, presentibus omisimus inserendum, ipsas tamen literas originales vobis mittimus inspiciendas et nobis remittendas, ipsasque omnibus quorum interest exhibere offerimus nos paratos.

Vos igitur tenore presencium requirimus et monemus, vobis communiter et divisim auctoritate apostolicâ, quâ fungimur in hâc parte, committimus et mandamus, in virtute obediencie, et sub maioris excommunicaciones summe penâ et aliis censuris ecclesiasticis, in dictis literis et processibus nobis directis contentis, firmiter injungentes, quatenus infra xxiiij dies a die recepcionis presencium continuè numerandos tam singulos obolos supradictos de singulis marcis, quam eciam singulos quadrantes de singulis libris bonorum et beneficiorum dicte civitatis et archidiaçonatûs, prout ipsa bona et beneficia taxantur ad decimam, a singulis viris et personis ecclesiasticis supradictis, exemptis et non exemptis, pro procuracionibus reverendorum patrum dominorum Pampilonensis et Senogaliensis episcoporum et Egidii sancti Minionis, nunciorum predictorum, necnon singulos quadrantes de singulis libris ipsorum bonorum et beneficiorum secundum taxacionem eorum a personis supradictis pro procuracionibus domini archiepiscopi Ravennensis, nuper sedis apostolice in Angliâ nuncii supradicti, exigatis, colligatis et levetis, seu exigi colligi et levari faciatis indilatè.

Et totam pecuniam in hâc parte receptam seu recipiendam, unà cum porcione vos, archidiacone, contingente, dominis Roberto et Radulpho, ecclesiarum sanctorum Gregorii et Botulphi extra

Aldrichesgate, Londoniis, rectoribus, receptoribus in hâc parte deputatis, in ecclesiâ sancti Gregorii predicti infra sex dies dictos xxiiij dies immediatè sequentes integrè et fideliter persolvatis, seu persolvi faciatis.

Alioquin in vos, si istis mandatis, ymo veriùs apostolicis, non parueritis cum effectu, ac in omnes et singulos viros et personas ecclesiasticas bona et beneficia ecclesiastica infra dictos civitatem et archidiaconatum obtinentes, seculares et regulares, exemptos et non exemptos, cuiuscunque statûs, gradûs, seu condicionis existant, dictas pecuniarum summas de bonis et beneficiis suis ecclesiasticis supradictis, prout ipsos singulariter concernunt, non solventes, morâ et culpâ vestris et eorum nostrâque monicione canonicâ et vestrâ precedentibus, excommunicacionis, in capitula verò et conventus ecclesiarum et monasteriorum dictorum civitatis et archidiaconatûs, suspensionis, ac in ecclesias et monasteria eorundem civitatis et archidiaconatûs, interdicti summas, exnunc pro extunc, dictâ canonicâ monicione premissâ, ferimus et promulgamus in hiis scriptis. Has insuper literas nostras, seu hunc nostrum processum, ad noticiam omnium et singulorum, quorum interest, deducatis, seu deduci faciatis, indilatè, sic et taliter, quod nulla persona ignoranciam verisimiliter pretendere valeat in hâc parte.

Tenore insuper presencium peremptoriè te, officialem predictum, citamus, quod compareas coram nobis vel certo nostro commissario in hâc parte tricesimo die post recepcionem presencium continue numerando, si juridicus fuerit, alioquin proximo die juridico tunc sequente, ubicunque in nostris civitate vel diocesi tunc fuerimus, super contemptu predicto, prout justum fuerit, responsurus et juri pariturus.

De diebus verò recepcionis, etc.—Highclere, 28 December, 1374.

[**122 a.**] Circular from bishop of London, dated London, 22 Jan., 1374–5, reciting letter from prior of Canterbury, in which a bull of Gregory XI is set forth, conferring further powers for collection of procurations. The nuncios to Flanders must await the result of the negotiations at Bruges during January, February, and March, and require the sum of 6564 florins, towards which sum the halfpenny in the mark and the farthing in the pound must be collected forthwith.

[**122 b.**] Mandate to archdeacon of Winchester to collect the halfpenny in the mark and the farthing in the pound.—Southwark, 23 Jan., 1374–5.

[**123 b.**] Acquittance for £20. 3*s.* 0¼*d.*, in respect of the farthing in the pound on the goods of the bishop and clergy of archdeaconry of Winchester:—

Noverint universi nos Robertum, sancti Gregorii, et Radulphum, sancti Botulphi extra Aldrichesgate, Londoniis, ecclesiarum rectores, receptores obolorum de singulis libris bonorum cleri taxatorum in provinciâ Cantuariensi pro procuracione archiepiscopi Ravennensis, nuncii pape, recepisse de venerabili patre episcopo Wynton. xx^{li} iij^{s} et quadrantem pro bonis ipsius episcopi et cleri archidiaconatûs Wynton. racione procuracionum predictarum.

Dat. London. sub sigillo quo utimur in hâc parte xxvj^{to} die Januarii, anno Domini millesimo. CCC^{mo} lxxiiii^{to}

A similar acquittance for £40. 6*s.* in respect of the halfpenny in the mark.

[**124 b.**] Mandate to archdeacon of Surrey to denounce excommunication against churchmen who officiate in parishes which are under interdict for the refusal of their incumbents to pay the half-penny in the mark and farthing in the pound.—Esher, 1 March, 1374–5.

[**121 a.**] Dispensation granted to Robert del Falle, r. of Brown Candover (vol. i, p. 105), from the obligation of taking deacon's orders for one year, the Constitution *cum ex eo* notwithstanding, to study at Oxford.—Highclere, 7 Jan., 1374–5.

[**123 a.**] License of non-residence for one year granted to m. Thomas Hugate, r. of Sherfield, to study at Oxford.[1]—Southwark, 28 Jan.

Mandate to sequestrator for archdeaconry of Surrey to cite creditors of John de Watteforde, an intestate, to attend with proof of their debts, and after to divide the assets pro ratâ:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio Willelmo, r. ecclesie parochialis de Bokelonde, sequestratori nostro in archidiaconatu Surreiensi,

[1] Renewed for another year in May, 1376, and for two years in May, 1377.

s. g. et b. Ad audiendum omnes et singulos per publicas proclamaciones de mandato nostro factas premunitos seu citatos in genere vel in specie ad diem Sabbati proximum post festum Purificacionis beate Marie proximum futurum in ecclesiâ S. Trinitatis de Guldeforde nostre diocesis, quibus Johannes de Watteforde, nuper defunctus ab intestato, dum vixit, et mortis suo tempore, in pecuniarum summis tenebatur, debita huiusmodi petituros, et quicquid per se habuerint in hâc parte ostensuros et probaturos, cum continuacione et prorogacione dierum tunc sequencium, si opus fuerit, eisdemque et omnibus quorum interest in hâc parte plenam justiciam faciendam, necnon si bona dicti defuncti ad singula debita huiusmodi persolvenda non sufficiant, defalcacionem singulorum debitorum huiusmodi juxta quantitatem eorundem legitimè faciendam, factâque per vos in illo eventu defalcacione supradictâ, quod residuum fuerit, predictis creditoribus, de quibus vobis racionabiliter constare poterit, juxta ratam porcionis uniuscuiusque nomine nostro solvendum, ceteraque omnia et singula facienda et expedienda, que in premissis et circa ea necessaria fuerint seu eciam oportuna, vobis, de cuius circumspeccione et industriâ plenè confidimus, tenore presencium committimus vices nostras, cum cuiuslibet cohercionis canonicâ potestate.

Et quid feceritis in premissis, etc.—Esher, 29 Jan., 1374–5.

[**123 b.**] Mandate in similar terms to official of archdeacon of Surrey, and return by him that he has made proclamation in the churches and markets of Guildford for Watteford's creditors. —Guildford, 31 Jan.

[**124 a.**] Deputation of bailiff of manors of Wargrave, West Wycombe, and Ivinghoe :—

William, per la suffrance de Dieu Euesqe de Wyncestre, a toutes ses foiaulx et loiaulx, et a toutes ses tenantes q cestes lettres verront et orrount, salutz en notre Sieur. Sachez nous avoir ordeinez et faitez nostre cher et bien aime Richard Gregory le filtz nostre baillif de noz manoirs de Weregrave, West Wycombe, et Ivyngho, oue toutes les membres apportenantz a icelles, a garder noz terres, hundredes, et fraunchizes, et noz courtes tenir, et a pursuire et chalenger toutes lez droitaires et fraunchizes apportenantes as manoirs susdits en toutes lieux

pur le temps qil plest a nous. Et pur ceo voz mandons, q au dit Ricard es choses susdites soietz entendantz, conseilantz, et responans en duwe maner. En tesmoignance de quelle chose nous lui avoms fait faire cestes noz lettres patentes, sealles de nostre seal.

Don a nostre manoir de Esshere le primer iour de Fevrier l'an de regne nostre Sieur Edward, tiers apres le Conqueste, quarante neosisme.

Dispensation from the obligation of residence granted to r. of St. Olave's, Southwark (vol. i, p. 52), for one year, to study.—Southwark, 10 Feb., 1374–5.

Petition to the King, to exonerate certain benefices impoverished by the plague :—

Excellentissimo in Christo principi, etc., Willelmus, etc., salutem in Eo, per quem reges regnant et principes dominantur. Cum beneficia et loca subscripta, nostre diocesis, propter defectum et carenciam populi parochias beneficiorum et locorum huiusmodi dudum inhabitantis a tempore primo pestilencie hucusque de medio sublati, adeo sunt hiis temporibus exilia, et ad inopiam patenter redacta, quod fructus, redditus, et proventus beneficiorum et locorum huiusmodi ad sustentacionem curatorum eorundem eciam tenuem et exilem nequaquam sufficiant, prout per inquisicionem legitimam et alias informaciones in hâc parte habitas nobis constat evidenter :

Placeat excellencie regie, premissis pensatis, rectoribus et vicariis beneficiorum et locorum huiusmodi quascunque pecuniarum summas decime per clerum dicte nostre diocesis magestati regie nuper concesse ipsos et eorum quemlibet concernentes, et a retro existentes, juxta formam et effectum concessionis eiusdem decime, graciosè remittere, et collectores eiusdem in dictâ nostrâ diocesi deputatos de dictis pecunie summis in vestro scaccario exonerari jubere, regie salutis obtentu et divine intuitu pietatis, etc.—Esher, 18 Feb., 1374–5.

The sums to be discharged :—

Prior de la Grave	4/9½
Abbot of Grastein	7/4
Church of Morestead	10/-

Church of St. Anastasius, Winchester	6/-
Church of St. Ruwald, Winchester	/3½
Church of Eremuwe (Yarmouth) Isle of Wight ...	/16
Chapel of St. Laurence de Wathe, Isle of Wight ...	8/8
Chapel of Hacche	8/8
Church of Asshe	10/-
Vicarage of Portsmouth	13/4
Church of Wodyngtone (Wootton), Isle of Wight ...	16/8
Church of St. Michael, Winchester	/2½

[124 b.] Commission for John, r. of St. Mary Magdalen, Bermondsey, to demand clerks incarcerate:—

Noverint universi, nos Willelmum, etc., constituisse et ordinâsse per presentes dilectum nobis in Christo dominum Johannem, rectorem ecclesie Sancte Marie Magdalene juxta Bermundeseye, decanum de Suthwerke, nostre diocesis, ad exigendum, petendum, et recipiendum vice et nomine nostris quoscunque clericos super criminibus seu feloniis indictatos vel indictandos, et pro huiusmodi criminibus seu feloniis in gaolâ domini nostri regis Anglie in Suthwerke, dicte nostre diocesis, in comitatu Surr. incarceratos seu incarcerandos coram senescallo Marchie vel aliis domini nostri regis predicti justiciariis in hâc parte deliberandos, ad faciendum de eis in foro ecclesiastico uno modo vel alio secundum canonicas sancciones: cui insuper in premissis committimus vices nostras per presentes, cum cuiuslibet cohercionis canonice potestate.—Southwark, 20 Feb., 1374-5.

License granted to bp. of Ely to confer orders, dedicate portable altars, consecrate the oils, and make the chrism:—

Reverendo in Christo patri et domino, domino Thome, Dei graciâ episcopo Eliensi, Willelmus, etc. Devocionis vestre precibus favorabiliter inclinati, ut in ecclesiâ de Dorkynge, seu capellâ infra manerium de Bechesworthe, nostre diocesis, dumtamen decens fuerit et honesta, singulis statutis a jure temporibus infra unum annum a die date presencium continuè numerandum contingentibus ordines celebrare ac quoscunque clericos vestrarum civitatis et diocesis, et alios clericos quoscunque, ab eorum diocesanis sufficienter dimissos, ad omnes minores ordines, quos nondum adepti fuerint, ac omnes eciam sacros ordines, debitè promovere: altaria quecunque eciam portatilia consecrare quo-

ciens opus fuerit, durante termino predicto; necnon in sacro festo Cene Domini proximo jam futuro oleum sanctum, oleum infirmorum, et oleum crisma cum solempnitate, quâ decet, eciam conficere et consecrare licitè valeatis, eo non obstante, quod in nostrâ diocesi dicte ecclesia et capella situate existant, paternitati vestre reverende liberam tenore presencium in Domino concedimus facultatem.—Southwark, 25 Feb., 1374–5.

Confessors' licenses :—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis ff. Johanni Purye et Roberto de Walyngforde, monachis ecclesie nostre cathedralis Wynton., s. g. et b. De fervore zeli, quem ad salutem animarum procurandam habere dinoscimini, vestreque puritate consciencie plenam in Domino fiduciam obtinentes, ad audiendum confessiones omnium subditorum nostrorum in archidiaconatu Wynton. peccata sua vobis in foro penitenciali confiteri volencium, et eos a peccatis suis, que vobis confitebuntur, licitè absolvere valeatis, ipsisque pro commissis huiusmodi penitencias injungere salutares, eciam in casibus nobis de jure vel consuetudine specialiter reservatis, perjuriis in assisis, inquisicionibus, et indictamentis, et ubi agitur de morte vel exheredacione alicuius, violatoribus et subtractoribus jurium, libertatum, et immunitatum ecclesie nostre Wynton. et corruptoribus sanctimonialium dumtaxat exceptis, liberam vobis et utrique vestrûm tenore presencium concedimus facultatem, donec eam ad nos revocaverimus, duraturam.—Esher, 5 March.

[125 b.] Return to mandate from the official principal of Canterbury, requiring the bishop to hear and decide a cause of defamation promoted by John Campeden, r. of Mahymyet (Menheniot), against William atte Sele of Woodhay. The bishop pleads pressure of business (quia aliis arduis negociis regnum, nos, et ecclesiam nostram Wyntoniensem tangentibus multipliciter occupati, ad faciendum dictis partibus infra terminum suprascriptum super premissis justicie complementum intendere non valemus), and consents to the removal of the cause to Canterbury. William atte Sele non est inventus.—Esher, 16 March.

Stephen Welewyke, of East Tisted, licensed to choose a confessor—ut presbyterum idoneum et scientem tibi in confes-

sorem licitè eligere valeas, quociens tibi videbitur oportunum, qui te a peccatis que sibi confiteberis in foro penitenciali absolvere valeat, et penitencias pro commissis tibi injungere salutares, liberam tibi et confessori tuo huiusmodi tenore presencium concedimus facultatem, usque ad festum Pasche proximò futurum, casibus tamen nobis de jure vel consuetudine specialiter reservatis dumtaxat exceptis.—*Ib.*, 14 March, 1374–5.

License to Richard Hertewelle, r. of West Horsley (vol. i, p. 104), to let the parsonage for one year *absque clausulâ non-residencie.*—Southwark, 20 March.

[126 a.] Dimissory for John Toutiour, son of Robert Toutiour of Lambeth, who had first clerical tonsure, ad omn. —Esher, 27 March, 1374 (*sic*).

Walter de Merstham, r. of Ewell (vol. i, p. 62), licensed to officiate with aid of a curate in chapel of Kyngeswode in Ewell.[1] —*Ib.*, 20 April, 1375.

Prayers for the King, Edmund, earl of Kent, and John, duke of Bretagne :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio priori ecclesie nostre cathedralis Wyntoniensis, s. g. et b. Potencias Domini nostris temporibus auditas ac mira et immania sue virtutis opera, que Ipse est potenter et ineffabiliter operatus, explicare loquendo vel comprehendere non sufficeret meditando, cum incomprehensibilia ipsius Dei judicia et investigabiles vie eius ; set investigando meritò miratur, stupet, et deficit investigans, quam ipse terribilis in consiliis super filios hominum.

Innotescens quoque, quomodo regni reges et rectores virtutibus fortes et viribus pro sue disposicionis libertate subducit in hâc suâ omnipotenciâ, et nichilominus regnum quodcunque per Ipsum principaliter gubernari evidenter ostendens, ut proinde manifestiùs pateat regnum quodlibet regi et dirigi potiùs opitulantis arbitrio, quam illius, cui regimen ipsum erat suâ disposicione vel permissione commissum ; sic ille Pater omnipotens, providenciâ cuncta gubernans, constitutus inter maris huius

[1] Kingswood liberty is a member of Ewell, and lies at the southern extremity of that parish on the road from Ewell to Reigate.—*Manning and Bray*, ii, 461.

mundi amari procellas quandoque facile corruere permittit, ipsosque quandoque a ruinâ sine rectoris idoneitate preservans ex suâ pietate salvificat, quando ipsius presidium imploratur; nec ad hoc multos vocat sapientes secundum carnem, nec multos nobiles, multosve potentes, set infirma mundi eligit, ut superbiam et que fortia sunt, confundat, ne quis creature et sapiencie nobilitate vel potencie ipsius direccionem vel regni regimen erroneè presumat ascribere, set totaliter attribuat Creatori, qui re verâ, quos consciencia insufficencie sue premit, spe roborat, fiduciâque confortat, et instante necessitate, quociens vocari contingit, non deficit, set assistat, et in se sperantem qualitercunque in tempestatibus variis fluctuantem finaliter non relinquit, set ei subvenit, prout res exigit, subiciens et opprimens eidem non parentem.

Ut ergo valeamus Ipsius influctuanti subsidio subveniri, in hiis presertim que accidunt hiis diebus ad humiliacionem nostram,[1] conditoris gloriam nostrûm quilibet se disponere oportebit per sacrarum oracionum suffragia puris animis cum cordis mundiciâ et assiduitate perseveranter apud Altissimum postulanda, ut in portu periclitari non sinat, quos per discrimina tot conduxit, set per viscera sue misericordie implorantibus recti subsidii conferat incrementum et presidium salutare.

Horum siquidem consideracione, ac eciam cum jam indies bella ingruant inter regna, oraciones devotas, presertim pro pace et tranquillitate ecclesie, regis, et regni Anglie, procerum et magnatum, et tocius populi dicti regni, et specialiter pro statu et felici expedicione nobilissimorum filiorum dicti regis dominorum Edmundi comitis Cantabrigg. et Johannis ducis Britannie ac aliorum dominorum magnatum et fidelium eiusdem pro salvacione juris dicti regni Anglie ad partes transmarinas destinatorum missas, processiones, et oraciones ac alia pietatis opera in singulis ecclesiis regularibus et secularibus nostre diocesis decrevimus in spiritu humilitatis et devocionis fore solempniter celebrandas, et ad hec exequenda breve domini nostri regis recepimus speciale in hec verba "*Edwardus*," etc.

[1] The defeat off Rochelle, here referred to, had wrested from the English the mastery of the seas, and the two towns of Bordeaux and Bayonne were all that remained of the English possessions in Acquitaine. It was a time of shame and suffering such as England had never known.—Green, *Hist. of Engl. People*, v, § 2. As Walsingham wrote thirteen years later (vol. i, p. 375), "sub hâc tempestate hic illicque percutimur, undique verò generaliter flagellamur"—we were whipped everywhere.

Nos in cordis intimis attendentes propositum dicti domini nostri regis fore sanum et suis fidelibus oportunum, et ob hoc volentes predictis suis peticionibus exequendis, prout tenemur et debemus, totis viribus insudare, et eas in quantum possumus, effectui debito mancipare, vos attentè requirimus et rogamus, vobis nichilominus firmiter injungendo, mandantes, quatenus processiones solempnes singulis quartis et sextis feriis in ecclesiâ nostrâ cathedrali predictâ fieri faciatis, etc., with forty days indulgence.—Esher, 30 May, 1375.

Similar mandate for archdeacon of Winchester.

[127 a.] Excommunication denounced against certain commoners who entered the bishop's close at Northwode,[1] in the parish of Cobham, and 'portas dicti clausi abstulerunt, fossasque ac fossatas nostras dictum nostrum clausum circumferentes, sepesque nostras pasturas ibidem includentes fregerunt, combusserunt, consumpserunt, et devastârunt, pasturasque nostras predictas per animalia sua devorârunt et destruxerunt, et bona insuper nostra illic inventa contrectârunt illicitè et injustè, preter et contra voluntatem nostram, aut eorum qui fuerunt huiusmodi rerum ac locorum custodiis deputati, in animarum suarum grave periculum,' etc.—Esher, 22 May, 1375.

Excommunication denounced against certain who impede the exercise of ecclesiastical jurisdiction, and presume "capere, verberare, et male pertractare" bearers of missives from the bishop; by circular to official of archdeaconry of Winchester, dean of Ewell, and v. of Cobham.—*Ib.*, 25 May.

License of non-residence for three years granted to William Boteller, r. of Wotton (vol. i, pp. 49, 108), with usual clauses and power to let.—*Ib.*, 2 July.

Commission directed to John de Ware, r. of Wonston, Hugh de Croft, r. of Waltham, William Wolfe, r. of Meonstoke, ds. William Renaud, r. of Fen Stanton, and dean of Droxford, to sequestrate the rectory of Droxford pending trial of title to advowson[2] between two claimants of the rectory:—

[1] Lands called Northwood in Cobham belonged to the bishop's manor of Esher, and were made part of the honour and chace of Hampton Court by Henry VIII, but were restored to the see by letters patent in 1 Mary.—*Manning and Bray*, i, 461.

[2] Vol. i, pp. 54, 77.

Et si una ecclesia unius debeat esse rectoris, et unum beneficium non duos ministros, set unum, debeat obtinere, ad nostrum tamen pervenit auditum et sufficienter sumus ac pleniùs informati, quod duo rectores ecclesie parochialis de Drokenesforde, dicte nostre diocesis, se pretendunt, qui plurimùm contendunt et dissident pro eâdem, quorum nullus est possessor pacificus aut quietus, et qui fructus et proventus dicte ecclesie dilapidant et consumunt, et pro suo distrahunt libito voluntatis, propter quod dicta ecclesia suis ministris omnibus destituta, divinis officiis et obsequiis penitus defraudatur, in ipsorum animarum grave periculum, dicteque ecclesie scandalum insuper manifestum.

Nolentes igitur premissa sub oculis conniventibus dimittere et ulteriùs pertransire, vobis conjunctim et divisim firmiter injungendo mandamus, quatenus fructus, etc. . . . . dicte ecclesie sequestretis, etc.—Farnham, 10 July, 1375.

Prior of St. Mary Overy and John Querneby, clk., commissioned to grant probate of the archbishop of Dublin's[1] will, as to goods within the diocese.—*Ib.*, 12 July.

License of non-residence during the bishop's pleasure granted to Ralph de Dudelesford, r. of Chiddingfold (vol i, p. 100).—Southwark, 16 July.

Commission to the official (Wormenhale) to hear and determine a cause of libel promoted by John de Campedene, r. of Loughborough, against William atte Sele, for having falsely and maliciously alleged in the presence of respectable persons (apud bonos et graves) that Campeden destroyed the seal appended to the grant of a certain croft, to the perpetual disherison of atte Sele, and contrary to the Provincial Constitution *Auctoritate Patris Omnipotentis;*[2] Campeden having purged himself on oath of the charge.—*Ib.*, 2 July.

[**128 b.**] Grant of administration of the goods of sir Arnald Savage, kt., to dame Eleanor the widow.—*Ib.*, 28 July.

[1] Thomas Minot, 1363–75.

[2] The reference is to a Provincial Constitution of archbp. Langton, A. D. 1222, which denounces excommunication against violators of the privileges of the church, disturbers of the public peace, false witnesses, suborners, defamers, advocates obstructing lawful marriages, opposers of any jus patronatûs, and obstructors of writ de excommunicato capiendo.—*Gibs.*, 1052.

Excommunication denounced against trespassers on the lands of Waverley Abbey (see p. 10).—*Ib.*, 31 July, 1375.

[**129 a.**] Mandate to cite the rector of Upham (vol. i, pp. 37, 75), to shew cause why the rectory should not be sequestrated on the complaint of the parishioners, who say that he absents himself "ecclesiam suam inofficiatam miserabiliter deserendo, unde quidam parochianorum dicte ecclesie absque sacramentis ecclesie in ipsius rectoris defectu obierunt, corpora mortuorum debito tempore non sepeliuntur, pueri non baptizantur, aliaque quamplurima nephanda evenerunt."—Waltham, 3 July.

[**129 b.**] Dame Joan Camoys, wife of sir Hugh Camoys, licensed to choose her own confessor and keep a chaplain to say mass in her chapel (in oratorio decenti et proprio) within the manor of Eastrop, until Christmas.—*Ib.*, 10 Aug.

License of non-residence for one year granted to m. Thomas Kelly, r. of King's Worthy (vol. i, p. 48), with liberty to let the parsonage[1]—*Ib.*, 20 August.

Monition of such as withhold personal tithes from the abbot of Waverley:—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis archidiaconis, officialibus, decanis, rectoribus, vicariis, ac capellanis parochialibus ecclesiarum parochialium nostrarum civitatis et diocesis s. g. et b. Privilegium ab apostolicâ sede indultum monasterio de Waverle, ordinis Cisterciensis, et nostre diocesis, ac fratribus famulantibus Altissimo in eodem, nobis presentatum inspeximus, in quo inter cetera vidimus contineri, quod dudum dicti fratres, variis per suos emulos attriti incommodis, et innumeris injuriis lacessiti, ac propterea Romano pontifici conquerentes, Cantuariensem archiepiscopum et eius suffraganeos literis petierunt apostolicis excitari, ut ita videlicet eis in tribulacionibus suis contra malefactores eorum promptâ debeant magnanimitate consurgere, et ab angustiis et pressuris apostolico possint presidio respirare.

Ideoque nobis, cum aliis suffraganeis Cantuariensis provincie per apostolica scripta mandatum extiterit et preceptum, quatenus illos, qui possessiones vel res seu domos monasterii ipsorum fratrum vel hominum eius irreverenter invaserint, aut ea injustè

[1] Renewed p. 156*b* for another year.

detinuerint, que pro dicto monasterio ex testamento decedencium relinquuntur, vel decimas laborum,[1] vel nutrimentorum[2] ipsorum, spretis apostolice sedis privilegiis, presumpserunt extorquere, monicione premissâ, si laici fuerint, penâ candelis accensis excommunicacionis percellamus; si vero clerici, vel canonici regulares, seu monachi fuerint, eos, appellacione remotâ, ab officio et beneficio suspendamus, neutram relaxaturi summam, donec predictis fratribus plenariè satisfaciant; villas autem, in quibus bona predictorum fratrum et hominum suorum per violenciam detenta fuerint, quamdiu ibi sunt, interdicti summe supponamus.

Verum quia presencium experiencia temporum satis declarat, quod indies clericis laici opido sunt infesti, quod insuper eciam antiquitas declaravit, dum suis finibus non contenti, nituntur in vetitum aspirare, et ad illicita frena relaxant; non prudenter attendentes, quam sit eis in clericos ecclesiasticasve personas, presertim regulares, et eorum bona interdicta potestas, contra premissa tam ipsi laici quam persone alie huiusmodi memorate, quorum nomina ignorantur preter et persone, indies agere non verentur, et possessiones, res, domos, monasterii ipsorum fratrum et eius hominum irreverenter et nequiter invaserunt, ac ea injustè detinuerunt, que predicto monasterio ex testamento decedencium relinquuntur et decimas laborum et nutrimentorum ipsorum spretis privilegiis apostolicis extorquerunt, in animarum suarum grave periculum, dictorum fratrum dampnum non modicum et gravamen, prout ex parte dictorum fratrum nobis in hâc parte graviter conquerencium extitit intimatum, humiliter postulancium, quatenus eisdem, juxta effectum dicti privilegii, de oportuno remedio poterit provideri.

Nos igitur, volentes privilegia dicti monasterii tueri et protegere illibata, mandato sedis apostolice nos ad hoc firmiter impellente, vobis omnibus et singulis firmiter injungendo mandamus, quatenus in ecclesiâ cathedrali Wyntoniensi, ac ceteris ecclesiis et locis aliis publicis nostre diocesis, in quibus expedire

[1] Personal tithes are such profits as do arise by the honest labour and industry of man, employing himself in some personal work, artifice, or negotiations, being the tenth part of the clear gain after charges deducted.—*Phillimore*, ed. ii, p. 1048.

[2] Mixed tithes are those which arise not immediately from the ground but from things immediately nourished by the ground, as by means of goods depastured thereupon or otherwise nourished with the fruits thereof, as colts, calves, lambs, chicken, milk, cheese, eggs.—*Ib.*

videritis, et per partem dictorum fratrum fueritis congruè requisiti, moneatis et efficaciter inducatis, monerive faciatis et induci, ... quod dictis fratribus satisfaciant pro premissis injuriis, etc. In default, excommunication denounced.—Waltham, 27 August, 1375.

[130 a.] Mandate directing official of archdeacon of Winchester to make the usual proclamations for opposers on the occasion of the election of a prior (Inguerand de Dinno, vol. i, p. 63), of West Shirbourne.—*Ib.*, 24 Aug.

M. John de Bukyngham, canon of York, commissioned to sit at the priory church on the second court day in September, and hear opposers.—*Ib.*, 1 Sept.

Dame Eleanor Wodelok, wife of sir Thomas Wodelok, kt., and Agnes Parys, licensed to choose their own confessors.—*Ib.*, 28 August.

[130 b.] Probate of Henry de Wattesforde's will granted to ds. Robert Croucheston, r. of Stratfieldsaye, and John Waryn, r. of Over Wallop, and power reserved to ds. John de Peveseye, capellanus, to come in and prove.—Same date.

[130 b.] Archbishop Sudbury having received from the nuncio, while the see of London was vacant, a bull of Gregory XI laying a halfpenny in the mark on the province of Canterbury towards the expenses of the mission of the archbishop of Ravenna and bishop of Carpentras to England, wrote to the bishop of Winchester to circulate the bull throughout the province. The bishop declined, on the ground that the prior of Canterbury was the proper person to do so:—

[132 a.] Quibus quidem literis per dominum episcopum Wynton. receptis, visis, et pleniùs intellectis, idem reverendus pater, habitâ super eisdem cum consilio suo deliberacione diligenti et maturâ, dixit et asseruit expressè prefatas literas a veritatis tramite recedere, easque salvâ reverenciâ tanti patris usquequaque, veras non esse in eâ parte, presertim ubi asseritur in eisdem ipsarum execucionem, Londoniensi sede vacante, ad ipsum dominum Wyntoniensem pertinere debere, cum non ad ipsum, ut pretenditur, huius negocii execucio, nisi pro porcione ipsum et diocesim suam Wyntoniensem contingente, nec de jure

nec de consuetudine dinoscitur pertinere. Asseruit quoque ulteriùs dictus reverendus pater, dominus Wyntoniensis episcopus, quod prefatas literas, illo modo saltem quo mandabatur in eisdem, noluit exequi quovismodo, set per venerabilem virum m. Willelmum Lozyng . . . prefato domino archiepiscopo literas suas excusacionis in hâc parte transmisit, sub hâc formâ :—

Reverendissime pater et domine. Literas vestras et mandata que nobis dirigere placuit vestra paternitas reverenda, mandatum reverendi in Christo patris ac domini, domini Guillermi, miseracione Divinâ episcopi Carpentoracensis, et sedis apostolice nuncii, pro certis stipendiis eidem certis loco et tempore persolvendis specialiter, que vobis directum inter cetera continencia recepimus, juxta quarum continenciam intelleximus vestram paternitatem reverendam pretendere, quod ad nos, sede episcopali Londoniensi vacante, earundem execucio de consuetudine pertineat et debeat pertinere ; et quod vices suas gerere debeamus in casibus huiusmodi et omnibus memoratis ; que quidem litere et mandata, et si per nos hâc vice sint minimè executa, eo modo presertim, quo vestra nobis paternitas demandavit, molestum gerere non dignetur eadem vestra paternitas reverenda.

Set ut nos in hâc parte habere dignemini excusatos, supliciter exoramus, causas, si libeat, attenciùs attendentes que nos propediunt in premissis, quas vobis vester clericus m. Willelmus Lozynge et noster cancellarius, quem ex hâc causâ vobis mittimus pleniùs informatum, vestre paternitati latiùs sciverit enarrare ; cui, si placeat, cum eidem in hâc parte aperuimus dilucidè mentem nostram, fidem credulam adhibere dignemini in hiis, que vestre paternitati circa premissa ex parte nostrâ plenissimè reserabit, et suis attentis dicendis oportunum remedium in premissis solita vestra dignetur benignitas impertiri. . . .

The Primate's reply :—

Frater reverende, et consors carissime. Intelleximus literas vestras et credenciam m. Willelmi Lozyng ; et licet antiquitùs ad honorem ecclesie vestre fuerit ordinatum, quod vos sic scriberetis omnibus aliis episcopis (sicuti alias habet prerogativas post Londoniensem), quia honorabiliùs est mandare aliis quam quod sibi ab inferioribus precipiatur, licet onus aliquale habet annexum ; tamen videmus, quod aliter estis informati, quod hoc

esset contra honorem verum cum re verâ non sit ; et quod velletis libenter ab hoc de presenti excusari : sciatis, amice carissime, quod non libenter faceremus aliquid quod vobis displiceret, et nullo modo illud quod esset contra honorem vestrum faceremus ; set istud non est tale ; tamen contemplacioni vestre exspectabimus ad tempus, et si possemus cum honore nostro, scribemus nosmet singulis episcopis ; set absit quod unus canonicus Londoniensis, custos spiritualitatis, mandaret vobis et aliis prelatis ; et ideo pensate, quid sit faciendum, et nos faciemus, quia dilacio est tediosa propter transitum nostrum in Flandriâ, ubi incontinenti clamabunt procuracionibus suis, et nondum est nobis solutum, quod ibi solvimus Pampilonensi et college. Valete feliciter, ut optamus. Scriptum festinanter manu propriâ ineptâ isto die veneris apud Otteforde.

Ac subsequenter dictus reverendus pater episcopus Wynton. prefatas literas juxta vim, formam, et essenciam earundem, quatenus ipsum et diocesim suam Wynton. concernebant, et non aliter, nec ulteriùs, mandavit et fecit execucioni debite demandari. Scriptumque fuit archidiaconis, etc.—Waltham, 14 Sept.

[**132 b.**] The pope having demanded subsidies in France, Spain, and Germany, and laid a tenth on the clergy of England "pro relevandis oneribus expensarum nobis ac Romane ecclesie, ut nos et ipsam Romanam ecclesiam eiusque bona et jura in partibus Italie ab invadencium incursibus defendamus, eorumque resistamus injuriis et jacturis incumbencium, ad quas aliter sufficere non possumus in Francie et Ispanie regnis, necnon in Alamanniâ aliisque partibus fidelium, personis ecclesiasticis certa subsidia decimalia ; ac dilectis filiis clero Anglie unam decimam de suis proventibus ecclesiasticis unius anni duobus terminis tunc expressis persolvendam," the clergy granted a subsidy of 100,000 florins ; and at the Convention of Bruges it was agreed that 30,000 florins should be paid on All Saints' Day, 1375, 30,000 more on St. John Baptist's Day, 1376, and the balance of 40,000 on the conclusion of peace.

Mandate directed to John, bp. of Lincoln, and other bishops of the province, to collect the subsidy, pursuant to a message from the Primate, dated at Lambeth, iij Kal. Oct., 1375.—Farnham, 16 October.

The bishop waived his objection to issuing this mandate "ad specialem rogatum" of the Primate, conveyed by means of the following postscript to the message:—"Fraternitatem vestram rogamus attentè, quatenus dictas apostolicas (literas) propter varia et diversa impedimenta, quibus circa negocia domini nostri regis Anglie statum eiusdem regni concernencia, et potissimè pro tractatu pacis inter ipsum dominum nostrum regem et Carolum, adversarium suum de Franciâ, ad partes transmarinas necessariò profecturi detinemur in presenti, hâc vice velitis exequi cum effectu, juribus ecclesie nostre Cantuariensis et vestre Wyntoniensis in omnibus semper salvis."

[**133 b.**] Commission directed to rectors of Cheriton, North Stoneham, and Crawley, to levy this subsidy in the archdeaconry of Winchester; and to archdeacon of Surrey to levy it in his archdeaconry.—Farnham, 16 October, 1375.

[**134 a.**] The Primate confirmed the above postscript by the following official letter:—

Simon, permissione divinâ Cantuariensis episcopus, tocius Anglie primas, et apostolice sedis legatus, venerabili fratri nostro, domino Willelmo, etc., salutem, etc. Cum propter ardua negocia domini nostri regis et regni Anglie ad partes transmarinas oporteat nos transferre, vos cordialiter rogamus, quatenus mandatum apostolicum super levacione cuiusdam subsidii a domino nostro papâ petiti a prelatis et clero Anglie, quod pridie vobis transmisimus, diligenter velitis exequi istâ vice, nostrî contemplacione et amore: scientes, quod per hoc vobis et ecclesie vestre nolumus prejudicare, aut aliquod novum inducere onus eidem, set protestamur expressè, quod tam jura ecclesie nostre Cantuariensis quam vestre Wyntoniensis volumus illibata servare, vestrâ execucione huiusmodi non obstante. Semper in Domino valeat vestra fraternitas reverenda.

Dated at Lambeth on St. Wolfram's day, being Monday, and sealed "cum sigillo magno rotundo, capita episcoporum suffraganeorum ecclesie Cantuariensis continenti."

[**132 b.**] Thomas Southam, archdeacon of Oxon., John de Lydeforde, canon of Chichester, John de Uptone, and Robert

Knyght, capellanus, or any one or more of them, appointed proctors to pay the bishop's biennial visit to the Roman Court. —London, 10 Oct., 1375.

Probate of will of sir John Maynard, kt., granted to dame Margery, his widow and executrix.—Southwark, 11 Oct.

Probate of will of Thomas Zerd, r. of Chelsfield, dio. Roffen., as to effects in diocese of Winchester, granted to John Wyght, his executor.—Same date.

Probate of will of Simon de Uvedale granted to John de Uvedale,[1] one of the executors; power being reserved for Robert Rope and Stephen Broun, to come in and prove.—*Ib.*, 12 Oct.

[134.] Commission directed to vicar of Hound for the monition of certain who refused to pay tithe to the prior of Hamble.—Farnham, 24 Oct.

At the same time and place the prior was sworn "quod possessiones ad dictum prioratum pertinentes non vendet, donabit, neque impignorabit, neque de novo infeudabit, vel aliquo modo alienabit, inconsulto dicto reverendo patre."

Probate of will of John de Ware, r. of Wonston, granted to his executors, William Midwynter, r. of St. George's, Winchester, John Peveseye and John Colyngbourne, prs., and Robert Knave of Wonston, a layman added by the bishop to assist them.—*Ib.*, 30 Oct.

[134 b.] Procurations and first fruits of benefices conferred by provision to be recovered for the pope. Bishop's certificate in reply to letter from Arnald Gernerii, the nuncio and collector of papal dues, enjoining him to denounce excommunication against abbot of Waverley and priors of Merton, Newark, Selborne, Southwick, and West Shirbourne for non-payment of procurations, and archdeacon of Surrey, for non-payment of

[1] Probably John, son and heir of Sir Thomas de Uvedale, kt., of Titsey, and husband of Sibil, daughter and heiress of Sir John de Scures, kt., who brought the Wickham property into the Uvedale family.—*Notices of the Family of Uvedale*, p. 23.

Peter pence in 1374; and to sequestrate certain benefices [1] filled by provision for nonpayment of first fruits. The bishop has denounced excommunication against the first-named persons, and has sequestrated the priory of Apuldercombe, the church of Witley, the vicarage of Alton and the prebend of Leckford, and cited the holders thereof to answer for their default. The other benefices he has not sequestrated, for the reason that Croydon is a peculiar of the archbishop, and the rest are outside his own diocese. No other benefice in his diocese, with one exception, has been filled by provision since the accession of the present pope, and therefore no other benefice has been sequestrated for non-payment of first fruits. The exception is Godalming. Cardinal James de Ursinis took it by provision under the present pope; and inasmuch as the cardinal has gone away leaving no address, his proctor, Raymund Pellegrini, has been cited in his place. The annual value of the church of Godalming, according to the best evidence obtainable, is £30.—Southwark, 22 Nov.

[**135 b.**] Probate of will of William Rothelay (vol. i, pp. 61, 62), r. of Streatham, granted to John Cowyk, the executor.—*Ib.*, 19 Nov.

Probate of will of William Redenesse (vol. i, p. 59), r. of Asshe, Surrey, granted to Thomas Grymesby, clk., one of the executors, power being reserved to the others to come in and prove.—*Ib.*, 22 Nov.

Gregory XI to the bishop. The pope has heard how the kings of England and France have sent ambassadors to treat of peace. He has written himself to the king of England on the subject, and now invites the bishop to use his influence to bring it about. The subsidy which the pope has laid on the clergy of England towards meeting the expenses incurred in resisting the

[1] Priory of Apuldercombe on confirmation of prior John de Osanna, temp. Clement V, £18. 7*s.*; church of Wynterley (*sic*) on being united at King's request to St. Augustine's nunnery, Rochester; rectory of Croydon, on provision to Raymond de Piletone; church of Eltham on provision to John Foliot, although subsequently exchanged for another benefice; church of Portes, London, on acceptance by Thomas de Wyndone, arrears 18 marks; vicarage of Alton on confirmation of John de Malteby; prebend of Leckford on provision to Adam Pope; vicarage or lazar-house of St. Julian near St. Alban's on provision to Hugh de Pugintone; church of Bluntisham on provision to Michael Russel; vicarage of Lalyngham (Laleham) on provision to Thomas de Irland; vicarage of Walter's Castle on provision to one Owell; abbot of Chertsey admonished to pay 8*s.* arrears.

invasion of the territories of the church has not been paid. The clergy of England are rich, and the realm has not suffered from invasion ; it is hoped that the bishop will see the subsidy paid.

Gregorius episcopus, servus servorum Dei, venerabili fratri episcopo Wyntoniensi salutem et apostolicam benediccionem. Nuper gratanter accepimus, qualiter carissimi in Christo filii nostri Edwardus Anglie et Carolus Francorum reges illustres ambaxiatores suos solemnes pro tractatu pacis inter ipsos reges, dante Deo, peragende Brugis destinârunt, ac eidem regi Anglie super hoc scribimus, eum ad bonam pacem graciosè exortando.

Verùm cum huiusmodi pacis negocium inter cetera nobis incumbencia, prout novit Altissimus, et aliter tibi scripsimus, cordi, nec immeritò, habeamus, et dubitemus, si tractatus huiusmodi, quod absit, rumperetur, quod peccatis exigentibus tardè vel iniquiter inter dictos pax resurgeret peroptata, ac in premissis favor tuus sit plurimùm oportunus, fraternitatem tuam nobis caram rogamus et hortamur attentè, quatenus per nostram et apostolice sedis reverenciam, et eciam tue salutis intuitu, apud eundem regem Anglie, quod nostris in hâc parte precibus annuat, opem des, prout plenè confidimus, et operam efficaces.

Preterea, cum pro relevandis oneribus expensarum nobis et Romane ecclesie ut nos et ipsam Romanam ecclesiam, eiusque jura et bona in partibus Italie ab invadencium manibus defendamus, eorumque resistamus injuriis et jacturis incumbencium, ad quos sufficere non possumus, in Francie et Ispanie regnis, necnon in Alamannis aliisque partibus fidelium personis ecclesiasticis certa subsidia duxerimus imponenda, que quidem persone ecclesiastice in hiis nobis, prout tenebantur, quamvis propter guerras et alias causas multiplicibus oneribus fatigate essent, pro maiori parte paruerunt, ac clero regni Anglie, qui in redditibus habundat, et quod quidem regnum, favente Domino, in se guerris non conturbatur, certum moderatum subsidium, prout aliter tibi scripsimus, duxerimus imponendum, quod tamen nondum extitit persolutum ;

Nosque et dicta Romana ecclesia, tam propter premissas quam alias racionabiles causas, devotorum subsidiis plus solitò egeamus de presenti ; eandem fraternitatem tuam, quam in adimplendis votis nostris promptam semper invenimus et paratam, ut

cariùs possumus deprecamur, quatenus pro nostrâ et apostolice sedis reverenciâ, et sicut nobis placere desideras, huiusmodi clerum Anglie ad solvendum dictum subsidium viis et modis quibus poteris inducere non postponas.

Dilectum siquidem filium Arnaldum Gernerii . . . in regno Anglie nuncium apostolice sedis et fructuum et proventuum ibidem camere apostolice debitorum collectorem, cui aliqua tibi referenda commisimus, et quem unà cum juribus predicte camere nostre recommendamus, ad partes illas destinamus, cui fidem indubiam adhibeas in dicendis.

Avinione, xiij Kal. April. pontificatûs nostri anno quinto.

[136 a.] The bishop to the primate. He has received the primate's letter (p. 239) touching the collection of the pope's subsidy, and will, this once, circulate it in the province. As far as his own diocese is concerned, the subsidy shall be collected as soon as possible:—

Reverendissimo, etc. . . . Literas vestras nuper xiiij^to^ die mensis Octobris ultimò preteriti recepimus in hec verba *Simon permissione divinâ*, etc., ut in proximo quaterno pleniùs continetur. Volentes igitur ob reverenciam sedis apostolice ac premissorum negociorum intuitu, necnon ex eo, quod pro tractatu pacis inter prefatum dominum nostrum regem Anglie illustrem et Carolum, adversarium suum Francie, si Deo placuerit, habende in partibus transmarinis, vos necessariò, prout scribitis, intendere oportuit et oportet, prefatas literas vestras exequi istâ vice, licet ad hoc minimè teneamur, vel temporibus preteritis tenebamur, auctoritate apostolicâ supradictâ.

Universis et singulis tunc confratribus et suffraganeis vestris ac custodibus sive officialibus et vicariis spiritualitatis civitatum et diocesium Londonensis, Wygornensis, et Sarum, sedibus episcopalibus ibidem tunc vacantibus, nostris literis literarum apostolicarum predictarum et vestrarum tenorem continentibus, quas certis cursoribus nostris juratis prefatis confratribus et suffraganeis vestris ac custodibus sive officialibus et vicariis supradictis ulteriùs transmittendas et deferendas xxiiij^to^ die dicti mensis Octobris apud Suthwerke fecimus liberari, et mandavimus eisdem, artiùs injungentes, quatenus ipsas literas apostolicas

et vestras juxta omnem vim, formam, et essenciam earundem exequerentur debitè, quatenus ipsos singulariter concernebant, cum effectu; quodque ipsi et eorum quilibet de factis sive habitis in premissis ac de nominibus solvencium et non solvencium medietatem decime supradicte citra terminos memoratos et eorum quemlibet vos distinctè et apertè certificent per literas eorum patentes dictarum vestrarum et nostrarum literarum seriem continentes sub penis et censuris ecclesiasticis in prefatis literis vestris pleniùs comprehensis.

Nos eciam pro bonis et beneficiis nostris ecclesiasticis ad nos seu mensam nostram episcopalem pertinentibus, clerusque nostrarum civitatis ac diocesis Wyntoniensium pro huiusmodi bonis et beneficiis suis infra ipsas nostras civitatem et diocesim Wyntonienses existentibus, quatenus nos et ipsos singulariter concernunt, de dicte decime medietate citra terminos memoratos, quatenus propter beneficiorum predictorum exilitatem diversasque imposiciones et ruinas variosque rerum eventus adversos hiis temporibus in partibus predictis plus solitò contingentes exigi et levari poterit, eciam per censuras ecclesiasticas nobis commissas quascunque, persolvi faciemus et facient debitè sine morâ, juxta literarum vestrarum exigenciam et tenorem.

Nomina verò non solvencium in nostrâ diocese supradictâ porciones ipsos contingentes in hâc parte pro primâ solucione supradictâ in rotulo presentibus annexo conscribuntur, contra quos processus per omnia fieri fecimus occasione non solucionis huiusmodi juxta vim, formam, et effectum literarum vestrarum predictarum. Que omnia et singula paternitati vestre reverende significamus per presentes, sigillo nostro consignatas, quam ad ecclesie sue regimen conservet semper in prosperis nostri clemencia Salvatoris.—Esher, the eve of St. Thomas the apostle, 1375.

Acquittance by the collectors of the half penny in the mark for £9. 6*s*. 0½*d*. the bishop's quota :—

Noverint universi nos Robertum, Sancti Gregorii, et Radulphum, Sancti Botulphi extra Aldrichesgate, London., ecclesiarum rectores ac receptores obolorum de marcâ de singulis marcis bonorum et beneficiorum virorum ecclesiasticorum tocius provincie Cantuariensis ad decimam taxatorum pro procuracionibus

reverendorum virorum et dominorum Pillei, Dei graciâ archiepiscopi Ravennensis, et Guillermi, episcopi Carpentoracensis, sedis apostolice nunciorum, de reverendo patre, etc., pro bonis dicti episcopi ubicunque existentibus in plenam solucionem dictarum procuracionum per manus m. Johannis de Bukyngham novem libras, sex solidos, et obolum sterlingorum recepisse. In cuius rei testimonium, etc.—London, 22 Oct., 1375.

[136 b.] Mandates directed to the officials of the archdeacons of Winchester and Surrey for summoning the clergy of their archdeaconries to convocation; and to the prior of Winchester for himself and the chapter, in common form.—Farnham, 6 Jan., 1375–6.

Commission to visit Breamore priory, directed to m. John de Wormenhale, the official, and the prior of Mottisfont:—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis Johanni de Wormenhale, officiali nostro, et priori prioratûs de Motesfonte, ordinis S. Augustini, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Licet aliàs priorem et conventum prioratûs de Bromore, ordinis S. Augustini, dicte nostre diocesis, singulasque personas eiusdem, tam in capite quam in membris, prout nostro incumbebat officio, visitaverimus, citra tamen famâ publicâ referente ad nostrum (quod displicenter referimus) pervenit auditum, quod quedam nefanda correccione indigencia in prioratu de Bromore supradicto noviter inoleverunt, dum nonnulli (*sic*) regulares persone prioratûs predicti, ut canes ad vomitum redeuntes, vitam ducunt, ut prius, enormiter dissolutam in animarum suarum grave periculum, perniciosumque exemplum plurimorum; sic quod dictus prioratus locis aliis nostre diocesis antedicte plus indiget visitari, et magis ibi visitacionis officium esse dinoscitur oportunum.

Premissa igitur reformari volentes, ne sanguis eorum de nostris (quod absit) manibus requiratur, priorem et conventum supradictos, singulasque personas eiusdem, ex causis premissis et aliis causis legitimis nos in hâc parte moventibus, necessitate cogente, tam in capite quam in membris decrevimus visitandos.

Cum igitur visitacioni huiusmodi aliis diversis ecclesie nostre Wyntoniensis negociis multipliciter propediti, personaliter intendere nequeamus, ad visitandum in capite et in mem-

bris prioratum supradictum, singulasque personas eiusdem, ac super criminibus et excessibus quorumcunque subditorum nostrorum eiusdem prioratûs inquirendum, ipsaque corrigendum canonicè puniendo et debitè reformando, omniaque alia et singula exercenda, facienda, et expedienda, que ad huiusmodi visitacionis, correccionis, et reformacionis officium necessaria fuerint seu eciam oportuna, eciam ei ad amocionem alicuius seu aliquorum ab officiis seu administracionibus suis per vos, justiciâ exigente, procedi contigerit, vobis, de quorum sciencià et consciencie puritate plenè confidimus, committimus vices nostras per presentes, cum cuiuslibet cohercionis et execucionis canonice potestate, quousque eas ad nos duxerimus revocandas.

Mandantes quatenus, dicto expedito negocio, nos de omni eo quod feceritis et inveneritis in premissis curetis reddere cerciores literis vestris patentibus, habentibus hunc tenorem.—Farnham, 7 Jan., 1375–6.

Absolution of the bishop, dated at Avignon, 5 Dec., 1375, in case the omission of his proxy to make an oblation when he visited the Roman Court amounted to a breach of his consecration oath (vol. i, p. 9):—

Universis presentes literas inspecturis Petrus miseracione divinâ archiepiscopus Arelatensis, domini Pape camerarius, salutem in Domino. Cum reverendus in Christo pater dominus Willelmus, etc., teneatur singulis bienniis curiâ citra montes existente sedem apostolicam visitare, sedem ipsam pro uno biennio proximè preterito per discretum virum Johannem de Lydeforde, canonicum Cicestrensem, procuratorem suum ad hoc legitimè constitutum, cum devocione debitâ visitavit, et nichil tamen idem procurator racione visitacionis huiusmodi camere obtulit seu servivit, insuper ipsum dominum episcopum a reatu perjurii, si quem incurrit occasione visitacionis huiusmodi, auctoritate, quâ fungimur in hâc parte, tenore presencium absolvimus, et cum eodem super irreglaritate misericorditer dispensamus.

[137 a.] Appointment of a coadjutor to the vicar of Middleton (Longparish).—Farnham, 5 Jan.

Commission to mm. John Blaunchard and William Lozynge, the chancellor, to proceed in the matter of the augmentation of the vicarage of Kingston-on-Thames.—Southwark, 28 Jan., 1375–6.

[137 b.] License granted to ds. Thomas Devenyssh, r. of Easton, absentandi se a dictâ ecclesiâ suâ in locis honestis commorando per triennium, et per dictum tempus fructus redditus, et proventus dicte ecclesie sue domino Johanni de Ketene, clerico, ad firmam dimittendi, etc., cum clausis consuetis.—Southwark, 12 January.

Commission granted to m. Robert, r. of St. Margaret's, Bridge St., and ds. John, r. of St. Mary Magdalen, Bermondsey, to hear and decide a cause of divorce promoted by Christina Blakemoure against Hugh Taillour.—*Ib.*, 12 Feb.

Acquittance by John de Cantebrygge, r. of Warfield, and Robert, r. of St. Gregory's, for a sum of £160 received of the bishop in part payment of the quota of the archdeaconry of Winchester of the moiety of a tenth laid on the clergy of England by pope Gregory XI to produce 60,000 florins.—London, 18 Dec., 1375.

Another, for a sum of £74. 8*s.* 3¾*d.*, being the first instalment of the bishop's own quota.—Same date.

[143 a.] Another, for another sum of £74. 8*s.* 10¾*d.*, being the second instalment of the bishop's own quota.—London, 16 July, 1376.

[138 a.] Dimissory letters :—

Henry Fetherstan, r. of Michelmersh, to all minor orders,[1] Wargrave, 28 Feb., 1375–6. Thomas Terry, r. of Compton (vol. i, p. 63), to deacon's and priest's orders.—Esher, 24 March.

Thomas Tozande, r. of Faccombe (vol. i, p. 75), an acolyte, to all holy orders.—Southwark, 26 March.

Citation of Robert Cadeham (vol. i, p. 75), to attend and give security for his appearance to a writ of *venire facias* :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio decano de Basyngestoke, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Breve domini nostri regis nuper recepimus

[1] Renewed, 27 March, 1376.

in verba *Edwardus*, etc., ut inter alia brevia regia pleniùs continetur. Tibi igitur in virtute obediencie firmiter injungendo mandamus, quatenus premunias seu premuniri facias prefatum Robertum, rectorem, quod sit coram justiciariis domini nostri regis predicti die et loco in dicto brevi contentis, facturus et recepturus, quod tenor et effectus dicti mandati exigunt et requirunt.

Cites eciam, seu citari facias, peremptoriè prefatum Robertum Cadeham, rectorem, quod compareat coram nobis vel nostro certo commissario tercio die juridico proximo post festum S. Georgii proximo futuro, ubicunque in civitate vel diocesi nostrâ tunc fuerimus, et caucionem sufficientem de conservando nos indempnes occasione dicti brevis et sequencium ex eodem prestiturus, et juri pariturus.

Fructus insuper et proventus quoscunque dicte ecclesie ibidem existentes et proventuros auctoritate nostrâ legitimè sequestres et sub arto custodias sequestro, quousque indempnitati nostre sufficienter provisum fuerit in hâc parte.

Et quid feceritis in premissis nos vel nostrum commissarium citra dictum tercium diem juridicum certifices literis tuis patentibus, habentibus hunc tenorem.—Highclere, 4 April, 1376.

Mandate for official of archdeaconry of Surrey to sequestrate the archidiaconate and churches of Dorking, Witley, and Horsley for arrears of pensions due to the bishop.—Highclere, 16 April, 1376.

[**138 b.**] License of non-residence for a year granted to Robert Tangeleye, r. of Ashstead (vol. i, p. 78), in order to be in attendance on Earl Warr.—Southwark, 27 April.

Homage done by Sir John de Montacute, kt., for two knight's fees :—

Memorandum, quod . . . ds. Johannes de Monte Acuto, miles, fecit homagium reverendo, etc., pro duobus feodis militum in Huntone in hundredo de Butelesgate in com. Sutht., que duo feoda Herbertus filius Petri quondam tenuit, et que idem Johannes die quo fecit et prestitit homagium tenuit et habuit, presentibus domino Laurencio de S. Martino, milite ; Henrico

Percehay, Waltero Cloptone, Joh. Middeltone, Willelmo Burgh, Michaele Skyllyng, Roberto Plesyngtone, Ricardo Pauncefot, Thomâ Warenner; mm. Willelmo Lozynge, Johanne de Campeden, clericis; Johanne de Uvedale, Johanne Scures, Edmundo Missendene, Willelmo de Guldeforde, et aliis.[1]—*Ib.*, 9 May.

[**138 b.**] License of non-residence for one year granted to Nicholas Mockynge, r. of St. Olave's, Southwark (vol. i, p. 52), to study at Cambridge.—Southwark, 10 May, 1376.

Summons to convocation at St. Paul's on the morrow of Trinity Sunday, pursuant to archbishop's mandate.[2]—*Ib.*, 11 May.

[**139 b.**] Mandate to archdeacons to levy and raise a procuration of three half-pence in the mark towards a sum of 4380 florins laid on the province by Gregory XI, for the expenses of the archbishops of Ravenna and Rouen on a mission to England and Flanders, lasting 365 days, at 12 florins a day; and a further sum for the expenses of Giles, provost of St. Minions, Valence, their colleague, during 270 days at 6 florins a day; pursuant to a circular from bp. of London, reciting the bull.—*Ib.*, 12 May.

[**140 b.**] License of non-residence for one year granted to John de Popeltone, r. of Mottisfont (vol. i, p. 47), with leave to let, and usual clauses.—*Ib.*, 14 May.

[**141 a.**] Certificate for writ *de excommunicato capiendo* (see p. 139*n.*) for contumacy:—

Excellentissimo in Christo principi et domino, domino Edwardo, etc., Willelmus, etc., salutem in Eo, per quem reges regnant et principes dominantur. Vestre excellencie regie tenore presencium significamus, quod Thomas Barbour et Willelmus Ferour de Suthwerk ac Johannes Smyth de Wandlesworth, nostre diocesis, fuerunt et sunt propter suas multiplicitas et manifestas contumacias per ipsos contractas maioris excommunicacionis summâ auctoritate nostrâ ordinariâ innodati, et pro

[1] The words on doing homage are given in the bishop's MS. volume referred to in the preface to vol. i as follows:—Jeo devynge votre home en contre tote gent sans la foy notre Seignour et le Roy.

[2] Receipt acknowledged, 2 June.

sic excommunicatis palam et publicè nunciati; in quâ quidem maioris excommunicacionis summâ per quadraginta dies et ampliùs perseverârunt et perseverant animis induratis, claves sue matris ecclesie nequiter contempnendo.

Quapropter vestram majestatem regiam suppliciter exoramus, quatenus pro dictorum excommunicatorum capcione et justificacione ad eorum obstinacionem reprimendam extendere dignemini auxilium brachii secularis, ut quos Dei timor a malo non revocat, saltem coherceat severitas discipline.

Celsitudinem vestram regiam semper dirigat et conservet in prosperis nostri clemencia Salvatoris.—*Ib.*, 12 May, 1376.

Executors of a testator having assets in the dioceses of Canterbury, Winchester, and Chichester, proved the will before the metropolitan;

Held by the commissary sitting at St. Mary Overy, Southwark, 21 May, 1376, that the will must be proved again before the ordinary as regards assets in the diocese.[1]

[**141 b.**] License of non residence of r. of Farley Chamberlayne (vol. i, pp. 39, 99) cancelled, and r. ordered into residence under pain of excommunication:—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis, officiali archidiaconi nostri Wynton. et decano Wynton., nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Famâ publicâ referente ad nostrum pervenit auditum, quod Johannes Caumbrey, r. ecclesie parochialis de Farlegh, dicte nostre diocesis, ab ipsâ ecclesiâ suâ absque causâ racionabili quâcunque se absentavit et absentat eciam in presenti, ipsam ecclesiam inofficiatam nequiter deserendo, quodque bona ecclesie sue predicte in usus illicitos convertit, dilapidat, dissipat, et consumit, domosque et edificia rectorie ecclesie predicte, que humana industria sumptuosè construxit, ad terram funditùs corruere permittit, in anime sue et animarum parochianorum ecclesie predicte grave periculum, perniciosum exemplum, et scandalum plurimorum.

Unde nos in hâc parte legitimè procedentes, licenciam non

[1] At a later date, where the assets lay in several dioceses, probate before the metropolitan in virtue of his special prerogative was held to be sufficient, thus saving the expense of as many separate probates as there were dioceses in which the assets lay.—4 *Coke, Inst.*, 335.

residendi sive absentandi se ab ecclesiâ suâ predictâ, necnon fructus et proventus eiusdem dimittendi ad firmam prefato rectori ex certis causis nos pro tunc ad id moventibus sub quâcunque formâ verborum sibi concessam revocandum, eundem quoque rectorem ad residendum deceterò in ecclesiâ suâ predictâ, prout tenetur, a parte juris vocandum, fructus eciam et proventus ecclesie sue predicte sequestrandos fore ex causis premissis, et ex aliis causis veris et legitimis nos in hâc parte moventibus, decrevimus, justiciâ suadente.

Vobis communiter et divisim in virtute obediencie firmiter injungendo mandamus, quatenus licenciam non residendi sive absentandi se ab ecclesiâ suâ predictâ, necnon fructus et proventus eiusdem ad firmam dimittendi sibi per nos sub quâcunque formâ verborum concessam sic per nos revocatam fore publicè nunciantes diebus et locis ubi videritis expedire moneatis, et citetis palam, publicè, et expressè prefatum Johannem rectorem personaliter, si poterit apprehendi, sin autem, procuratorem suum, si quem dimiserit, alioquin in ecclesiâ predictâ ac domibus et mansis rectorie sue predicte coram notis, familiaribus, et amicis suis citacionis sive monicionis edicto per vos sic et taliter proposito, quod huiusmodi monicio sive citacio ad ipsius noticiam verisimiliter poterit pervenire, quod idem rector infra duorum mensium spacium a tempore monicionis seu citacionis vestre huiusmodi continuè numerandorum ad dictam ecclesiam redeat et in eâdem personaliter extunc resideat, prout tenetur et de jure artatus existit, sub penâ juris.

Fructus insuper quoscunque dicte ecclesie exeuntes et proventuros ex causis premissis et ex aliis certis causis et legitimis nos in hâc parte moventibus legitimè sequestretis, ipsumque sequestrum debitè publicetis, ac sub adeo arto custodiatis sequestro sicuti de eisdem vestro volueritis periculo respondere, quousque indempnitati dicte ecclesie in hâc parte debitè prospiciatur, et aliud super hoc a nobis receperitis in mandatis.

Et quid feceritis, etc.[1]—*Ib.*, 26 May.

[142 a.] Excommunication denounced against the rectors of three Winchester churches for making use of the secular arm to rescue Thomas Bathe[2]:—

[1] This sequestration was discharged 27 October, 1377.

[2] It is conjectured that Bathe was a novice in one of the local friaries.

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis priori ecclesie nostre cathedralis Wynton., abbati monasterii de Hydâ, officiali archidiaconi nostri Wynton., necnon omnibus et singulis rectoribus, vicariis ac capellanis parochialibus in civitate Wynton. et in suburbio eiusdem constitutis, s. g. et b. Licet partes omnes et singule procurantes conservatores[1] limites sibi tradite potestatis excedere, et de aliis quam de manifestis injuriis et violenciis scienter se intromittere, seu ad alia, que judicialem indaginem exigunt, suam extendere potestatem, sint maioris excommunicacionis summâ dampnabiliter innodati:

Famâ tamen publicâ referente ad nostrum pervenit auditum, quod quidam iniquitatis filii, videlicet Willelmus Benham, r. ecclesie S. Marie de Waldâ, Thomas atte Wode, r. ecclesie S. Mauricii, et Walterus, r. ecclesie de Kalen, Wynton. (St. Mary Kalendre), et alii, quorum nomina ignorantur penitus et persone, sue salutis immemores, pro abstraccione pretensâ cuiusdam Thome Bathe, junioris, hec fieri nequiter procurârunt, maioris excommunicacionis summam supradictam dampnabiliter incurrendo.

Quocirca vobis omnibus et singulis communiter et divisim in virtute obediencie firmiter injungendo mandamus, quatenus, etc. Excommunication denounced, and the parties cited to appear at St. Mary Overy.—Southwark, 27 May.

[**142 b.**] Commission to promote the office of the bishop against one who unlawfully detained assets of Peter de Bruges (vol. i, p. 22 n.) deceased—ad cognoscendum et procedendum ex officio nostro mero, statuendum, et diffiniendum in quodam correccionis negocio, moto ex officio nostro predicto contra Willelmum de Uptone, nostre diocesis predicte, occasione injuste detencionis bonorum, que fuerunt Petri de Bruges defuncti mortis sue tempore in nostrâ diocesi supradictâ, testamentum eiusdem Petri concernencium, necnon impedimenti execucionis dicti testamenti sive ultime voluntatis eiusdem juxta formam retroactorum in eodem negocio habitorum, ipsumque negocium cum suis incidentibus, etc., fine debito terminandum; dictum quoque Willelmum de Uptone pro tante temeritatis excessu, si de hoc legitimè liquere poterit, corrigendum et

[1] Peace officers. Conservator, according to Du Cange, quoting an old vocabulary of law terms, is "judex datus ad defendendum aliquos contra manifestas injurias, judiciali indagine non utens."

canonicè puniendum, ceteraque omnia et singula facienda, exercenda, et expedienda, que in huiusmodi negocio necessaria fuerint seu eciam oportuna, vobis, de quorum circumspeccione plenè confidimus, communiter et divisim tenore presencium committimus vices nostras, cum cuiuslibet cohercionis et execucionis canonice potestate, donec eas ad nos duxerimus revocandas.

Certificantes nos, etc.—*Ib.*, 26 June.

[143a.] Probate of will of Edward lord Despenser,[1] deceased, granted to sir Edward Dallyngerugge, kt., and Thomas Broun, power being reserved, etc.—*Ib.*, 2 July.

License granted to parishioners of Abinger to have the church reconciled after pollution by bloodshed.—*Ib.*, 16 July.

Will of sir Luke de Ponynges, kt. :—

In Dei nomine, amen. Ego Lucas de Ponynges, dominus de Sancto Johanne, sane mentis et bone memorie, quinto die Junii, anno domini millesimo CCC^mo^ lxxvj^to^, condo testamentum meum in hunc modum.

In primis lego animam meam Deo et beate Marie virgini et omnibus sanctis, et corpus meum ad sepeliendum in ecclesiâ conventuali prioratûs de Boxgrave, Cicestrensis diocesis, in sinistrâ parte ecclesie ubi sepulcrum Domini die parasceues fieri solet.

Item lego ad fabricam ecclesie predicti prioratûs xj*li.* argenti ad disposicionem executorum meorum.

Item lego summo altari dicte ecclesie unum vestimentum rubeum, videlicet unum album, amiciam, casulam cum stolâ et fanone, et cum duobus pannis sericis viridis coloris.

Item lego Isabelle, uxori mee, c*li.* argenti sub tali condicione, quod nichil plus petat de omnibus bonis meis mobilibus racione cuiuscunque juris seu consuetudinis, nec impediat nec impediri procuret executores meos in execucione liberâ testamenti mei.

Item lego Thome, filio meo, c marcas sub condicione predictâ, ac eciam omnes armaturas meas.

Item lego Luce,[2] filio dicti Thome, xx marcas.

[1] He died in 1375, and was buried at Tewkesbury.—*Wals.* i, 319.
[2] See vol. i, p. 123, for appointment of a guardian of his estate.

Item lego Ricardo Olmestede, clerico, x marcas.
Item lego Felicie Olmstede, x marcas.
Item lego Alicie Brid, v marcas.
Item lego Olivero Eyot, v*li.*
Item lego Henrico Hatfelde, v marcas.
Item lego Luce, filio dicti Henrici, xx*s.*
Item lego Johanni Salle, v*li.*
Item lego Johanni Dollynge xl*s.*
Item lego Willelmo Davy, xx*s.*
Item lego Petro Holonde, xx*s.*
Item lego Rogero Scolonde, vj*s.* viij*d.*
Item lego Thome Sukelynge, vj*s.* viij*d.*
Item lego Willelmo Bakere, vj*s.* viij*d.*
Item lego Johanni Gladewyne, vj*s.* viij*d.*
Item lego Roberto West, vj*s.* viij*d.*
Item lego Johanni, filio uxoris Henrici Hatfelde, iij*s.* iiij*d.*
Item lego capud S. Gamalielis ecclesie cathedrali S. Pauli, Londoniis.
Item lego ad ornamentum dicti capitis xx*li.* ad disposicionem executorum meorum.
Item lego Johanni Smyth, xx*s.*
Item lego Thome Pycot, xx*s.*
Item lego Johanni Broun, carectario, x*s.*
Item lego Willelmo West, v marcas.
Item lego f. Thome Hortone, iiij*li.*
Item lego Waltero, clerico ecclesie de Warneforde, vj*s.* viij*d.*
Item volo, quod expense funerarie fiant ad disposicionem executorum meorum.
Item lego executoribus meis, cuilibet eorum xx marcas.
Item volo et humiliter supplico, quod dominus meus, reverendus episcopus Wyntoniensis, supervideat et adjuvet executores meos in execucione testamenti mei.

Huius autem testamenti ordino, facio, et constituo executores meos m. Adam de Wygemere, dominum Petrum de Mundeforde, r. ecclesie de Earde (Erith), et dominum Robertum Madhurst, v. de Bernham, ac eciam Hugonem Hakkere.

Residuum vero omnium bonorum meorum lego secundum disposicionem executorum meorum.

Will proved at Farnham 4 July, 1376, by all the executors. The testator was buried at Warnford, pursuant to his very last wishes (in suâ ultimâ voluntate post confeccionem dicti testamenti); the prior of Boxgrave having renounced his right, if any, to have the burial at the priory by the following instrument on the 27th of the same month :—

In Dei nomine, amen. Ego Johannes de Louda, prior prioratûs beate Marie de Boxgrave, Cicestrensis diocesis, nomine meo et conventûs eiusdem prioratûs omni juri, si quod habui vel habeo, ad sepeliendum corpus domini Luce de Ponynges, militis, defuncti, ex legato ipsius in testamento suo relicto sive facto, dum in humanis agebat, languens in extremis, purè, sponte, et absolutè renuncio in hiis scriptis, et sine juris remedio michi et dicto conventui competenti in hâc parte.

Recognovit insuper idem prior publicè et expressè ex quibusdam informacionibus sibi factis, quibus credidit, se ex legato predicto non habere jus ad sepulturam pretensam predictam, licet in testamento predicto expressè contineatur, quod dictus dominus Lucas ad sepeliendum corpus suum in ecclesiâ prioratûs legaverat.

[144 a.] License of non-residence for three years granted to Thomas Tozande, r. of Faccombe (vol. i, p. 75), with usual clauses.—Wolvesey, 8 Aug., 1376.

Monition for the prior of Selborne, who is under suspension for waste :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio decano de Aultone, nostre diocesis s. g. et b. Cum nos nuper ex officio nostro legitimè procedentes f. Nicholao priori prioratûs de Seleborne, ordinis S. Augustini, nostrorum patronatûs et diocesis, ex certis causis veris et legitimis nos in hâc parte moventibus, et precipuè propter dilapidacionem bonorum dicti prioratûs, unde eundem f. Nicholaum meritò habuimus suspectum, administracionen bonorum spiritualium et temporalium eiusdem prioratûs sub certâ formâ interdiximus, justiciâ suadente, administracionem bonorum huiusmodi dilectis filiis ff. Nicholao de Wynton., dicti prioratûs suppriori, ac Edwardo de Selborne, dicti prioratûs canonicis, viris utique de circumspeccione et industriâ apud nos multipliciter

commendatis, committentes; tibi in virtute obediencie committimus et firmiter injungendo mandamus, quatenus prefatum f. Nicholaum priorem moneas primò, secundò, et terciò et peremptoriè, quatenus, etc.—Waltham, 9 Aug., 1376.

Sequestration of churches of Wanstead[1] and Boarhunt:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio decano de Drokenesforde, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Cum nos fructus, redditus, et proventus ecclesiarum de Wanstede et Burghunte, nostre diocesis, ex certis causis veris et legitimis nos ad id moventibus sequestravimus, justiciâ suadente: tibi committimus et mandamus firmiter injungentes, quatenus fructus, redditus et proventus supradictos exeuntes et proventuros sic sequestratos fuisse in ecclesiis predictis locisque aliis, ubi magis videris expedire, debitè publices, seu facias debitè publicari, faciens de eisdem fructibus et proventibus ecclesiis predictis et parochianis ibidem in divinis officiis sacramentisque et sacramentalibus ecclesiasticis ministrandos congruè deserviri.

Residuum verò eorundem sub adeo arto custodias sequestro, sicuti de eisdem tuo volueris periculo respondere, quousque aliud super hiis receperis in mandatis; contradictores et rebelles, si quos inveneris in hâc parte, per censuras ecclesiasticas canonicè compescendo.

Et quid feceris, etc.—*Ib.*, 16 Aug.

Bull to induct John de Lydeforde on provision to the church of Wonston:—

Gregorius episcopus, servus servorum Dei, venerabilibus fratribus Wynton. et London. episcopis, ac dilecto filio, decano ecclesie S. Petri Avinionensis, salutem et apostolicam benedicionem. Peticio dilecti filii Johannis Lydeforde, rectoris ecclesie parochialis de Wonsyngtone, Wynton. diocesis, exhibita continebat, quod licet olim sibi de dictâ ecclesiâ, tunc per obitum quondam Johannis Ware, eiusdem ecclesie rectoris, vacante, auctoritate apostolicâ graciosè et canonicè provisum fuisset, tamen Willelmus Dirwent, qui se gerit pro clerico Eboracensis diocesis, falsò asserens dictam ecclesiam ad se pertinere, et gracie ac provisioni huiusmodi contra justiciam se opponens, impedivit prout impedit, ac fecit ac facit, quominus huiusmodi gracia et provisio

[1] Vol. i, p. 370*n*.

debitum sortite fuerint, et sortiantur, effectum ; seque in dictâ ecclesiâ intrusit, illamque occupavit ac detinuit, prout detinet, indebitè occupatam, fructus percipiendo ex eâ : propter que pro parte dicti Johannis Lydeforde fuerit ad sedem apostolicam appellatum.

Nosque causam appellacionis huiusmodi et negocii principalis, que inter Johannem ex unâ parte et Willelmum predictos, ac omnes et singulos, qui suâ crederent interesse super dictâ ecclesiâ communiter vel divisim ex alterâ, vertebatur, ad instanciam dicti Johannis dilecto filio m. Nicholao de Cremonâ, capellano nostro, et causarum Palacii apostolici auditori, audiendam commisimus et fine debito terminandam ; qui ad instanciam dicti Johannis, coram eo in judicio comparentis, contra Willelmum et alios qui suâ crederent interesse predictos, ad nonnullos citacionis actus in audienciâ publicâ, ut est moris, processit, et tandem per eundem Johannem ad probandum causam huiusmodi fore ad Romanam curiam legitimè devolutam, nonnullis instrumentis publicis productis ; et prefatus auditor, quia per producta huiusmodi sibi legitimè constitit causam ipsam fore ad eandem curiam legitimè devolutam, et apud eam tractari et finiri debere, ad instanciam dicti Johannis, Willelmum et alios qui suâ crederent interesse predictos, ad dandum et recipiendum libellum, et ad prestandum et per partem aliam prestari videndum, et juramentum de calumpniâ et de veritate dicendâ in causâ huiusmodi in predictâ audienciâ successivè citari fecit, ad certos terminos peremptoriè competentes, in quibus prefatus Johannes coram eodem auditore in judicio comparens, dictorum citatorum non comparencium contumaciam accusavit ; et in eorum contumaciam ferendam pro parte suâ libellum exhibuit, et predictum in eiusdem auditoris presenciâ prestitit juramentum in dictis terminis ad hec datis.

Idemque auditor ad instanciam ipsius Johannis Willelmum et alios qui suâ crederent interesse predictos ad dandum et per alteram partem dari videndum posiciones et articulos, si quos dare vellent, in causâ huiusmodi, in dictâ audienciâ citari fecit ad certum terminum peremptoriè competentem, in quo m. Ricardus de Draytone, procurator dicti Johannis, coram eodem auditore in judicio comparens, dictorum citatorum non comparencium contumaciam accusavit, et in eorum contumaciam nonnullos posiciones et articulos pro parte suâ in huiusmodi causâ dedit.

Idemque auditor ad instanciam dicti Ricardi Willelmum et alios qui suâ crederent interesse predictos ad respondendum dictis posicionibus et dicendum contra eosdem articulos quicquid vellet, necnon ad producendum et per alteram partem perduci videndum omnia jura et munimenta, quibus partes ipse in huiusmodi causâ uti vellent, in dictâ audienciâ successivè citari fecit ad certos terminos peremptoriè competentes, in quibus prefatus Ricardus coram eodem auditore in judicio comparens, dictorum citatorum non comparencium contumaciam accusavit, et in eorum contumaciam nonnulla literas apostolicas, instrumenta publica, aliaque jura et munimenta, quibus pro parte suâ uti voluit in huiusmodi causâ, perduxit in dicto termino ad hoc dato.

Idemque auditor ad instanciam dicti Ricardi Willelmum et alios, qui suâ crederent interesse, predictos, ad dicendum contra huiusmodi perducta quicquid vellent, necnon ad concludendum et concludi videndum in causâ huiusmodi, vel ad dicendum causam racionabilem, quare in eâ concludi non deberet, in prefatâ audienciâ successivè citari fecit ad certos terminos peremptoriè competentes, in quibus prefato Ricardo coram eodem auditore in judicio comparente et predictorum citatorum non comparencium contumaciam accusante, et in eorum contumaciam in causâ huiusmodi concludi petente in dicto termino ad hoc dato prefatus auditor, reputans eosdem citatos, quo ad actum huiusmodi, prout erant, meritò contumaces, in eorum contumaciam cum dicto Ricardo in causâ huiusmodi concludente conclusit, et habuit pro concluso in dicto termino ad hoc statuto, et ad ipsius Ricardi instanciam Willelmum et alios, qui suâ crederent interesse predictos, ad suam in causâ huiusmodi diffinitivam summam audiendum in prefatâ audienciâ citari fecit ad certam diem peremptoriè competentem, in quâ prefato Ricardo coram eodem auditore in judicio comparente, et dictorum citatorum non comparencium contumaciam accusante, et in eorum contumaciam summam ipsam in causâ huiusmodi ferri petente, prefatus auditor reputans eosdem citatos quoad actum huiusmodi, prout erant, meritò contumaces, in eorum contumaciam, visis et diligenter inspectis omnibus et singulis actis actitatis, habitis, et productis in causâ huiusmodi, ipsisque cum diligenciâ recensitis et examinatis, factâque super hiis omnibus

coauditoribus suis dicti palacii relacione plenariâ et fideli, de ipsorum coauditorum consilio et assensu per suam diffinitivam summam pronunciavit, decrevit, et declaravit, prout hec omnia in dicto libello petita fuerant, graciam et provisionem predictas dicto Johanni Lydeforde de predictâ ecclesiâ factas, et omnia inde secuta fuisse et esse canonicas et canonica, ac suum debitum debuisse et debere sortiri effectum, ipsamque ecclesiam, cum omnibus juribus et pertinenciis suis, ad eundem Johannem pertinuisse et pertinere, et sibi adjudicandum fore, et adjudicavit, necnon huiusmodi impedimenta, per dictum Willelmum prestita, fuisse et esse temeraria, illicita, et injusta, ipsumque Willelmum a dictâ ecclesiâ et eius detencione amovendum fore, et quantum potuit, amovit, dictumque Johannem in possessionem eiusdem ecclesie, juriumque et pertinenciarum ipsius, inducendum fore et quantum potuit induxit, ac eidem Willelmo super ecclesiâ et impedimentis predictis perpetuum silencium imponendum fore, et imposuit, ipsumque Willelmum in fructibus ex dictâ ecclesiâ perceptis, a tempore mote litis, et in expensis coram se in huiusmodi causâ legitimè factis condempnavit, ipsarum expensarum taxacione sibi imposterum reservatâ.

Et subsequenter prefatus auditor ad instanciam dicti Johannis supradictum Willelmum ad videndum taxari easdem expensas in predictâ audienciâ citari fecit ad dictum terminum peremptoriè competentem; in quo dicto Johanne coram eodem auditore in judicio comparente, et predicti Willelmi non comparentis contumaciam accusante, et in eius contumaciam expensas ipsas taxari petente, prefatus auditor reputans dictum Willelmum, quo ad actum huiusmodi, prout erat, meritò contumacem, in eius contumaciam dictas expensas in xxxij florenis auri de Florenciâ providâ moderacione taxavit, predicti Johannis super eiusdem expensis juramento secuto, prout in instrumento publico inde confecto, dicti Auditoris sigillo munito, dicitur pleniùs contineri.

Nos itaque ipsius Johannis supplicacionibus inclinati, que super hiis ab eodem auditore proinde facta sunt rata et grata habentes, dictamque diffinitivam summam auctoritate apostolicâ confirmantes, discrecioni vestre per apostolica scripta mandamus, quatenus vos vel duo aut unus vestrûm per vos vel alium seu alios premissa execucioni debite demandantes, dictum Johannem, vel procuratorem suum eius nomine, in corporalem possessionem

ecclesie, jurium et pertinenciarum predictorum, amoto exinde dicto Willelmo et quolibet alio detentore, inducatis auctoritate nostrâ et defendatis inductum; facientes sibi de ipsius ecclesie fructibus, redditibus, et proventibus, juribus, et obvencionibus universis integrè responderi, et de dictis perceptis, fructibus, et florenorum summâ pro dictis expensis juxta predicti instrumenti earundem condempnacionis et taxacionis tenorem plenam et debitam satisfaccionem impendi; contradictores per censuram ecclesiasticam, appellacione postpositâ, compescendo.—Avinione, iiij Id. Junii, pontificatûs nostri anno sexto.

[145a.] Mandate to archdeacons that letters from abroad to the prejudice of the king shall be transmitted to the council:

Willelmus, etc. Breve domini nostri Regis, etc., recepimus in hec verba, etc.[1] Volentes igitur mandatum domini nostri regis per breve suum predictum nobis directum in omnibus exequi, ut tenemur, vobis in virtute obediencie firmiter injungendo mandamus, et per vos omnibus et singulis personis ecclesiasticis in quâcunque dignitate vel officio in archidiaconatu vestro constitutis consimiliter injungi volumus et mandamus, quatenus literas et alia scripta quecunque dicto domino nostro regi ac regno suo et suis subditis predictis, ut predictum est, prejudicialia, si que vobis aut eis delata fuerint, vel deferri contigerint in futurum, statim cum ea receperitis seu receperint, dicto domino nostro regi et suo consilio salvò et securè mittatis et mittant.

Publicacioni insuper omnium harum et aliarum literarum et aliorum scriptorum huiusmodi, ac execucioni inde per vos seu ipsas ecclesiasticas personas in archidiaconatu vestro predicto faciende, quousque aliud a dicto domino nostro rege et ipsius consilio habueritis in mandatis, supersedeatis et supersedeant omnino, juxta vim, formam, et effectum brevis supradicti.—Farnham, 13 Sept., 1376.

M. John Langrysshe,[2] r. of Beechingstoke, appointed sequestrator for the archdeaconry of Winchester.—Waltham, 9 Sept.

[145b.] M. John Laverans, v. of Kingsclere (vol. i, p. 39), appointed official of the diocese—ad exercendum omnia et

[1] See the writ in part iv.

[2] From Langrish, a hamlet near Petersfield.

singula que ad officium officialitatis nostre Wyntoniensis de jure vel consuetudine noscuntur pertinere, ipso officio vacante, necnon ad inquirendum super criminibus et excessis subditorum nostrorum, ipsosque et ea corrigendum et canonicè puniendum, ceteraque omnia et singula facienda, que in premissis et circa ea necessaria fuerint seu eciam oportuna, vobis, de cuius circumspeccione plenè confidimus, vices nostras committimus, cum cuiuslibet cohercionis canonice potestate, donec eas ad nos duxerimus revocandas.—Farnham, 21 Sept., 1376.

Excommunication denounced against certain who murdered the vicar of Hambledon, and robbed the parsonage—quidam Sathane satellites, filii perdicionis, in profundo malorum demisi, quorum nomina ignorantur preter et persone, clausum vicarie ecclesie de Hameldone, nostre diocesis, clandestinè nuper et noctanter ingressi, dominum Willelmum,[1] ultimum vicarium ibidem, presbyterum, fractis et diruptis hostiis et seruris eiusdem, in lecto suo recumbentem hostiliter invaserunt, ipsumque plagis impositis felonicè jugulârunt et interfecerunt; hiis quoque non contenti, bona nonnulla que fuerunt dicti vicarii a dictâ vicariâ furtim et nephariè subtraxerunt, etc.—*Ib.*, 23 Sept.

[**146 a.**] Dispensation from the obligation of proceeding to priest's orders granted to John Depynge, r. of Steventon (vol. i, p. 75), for one year; and license of non-residence to study for three years at Oxford or elsewhere.—Southwark, 5 November.

Purgation of Robert Thurstayn. He was indicted before Nicholas Caru, seneschal of the Marshal's Court, for that on Whitsunday, 38 Ed. III, he came to the stews at Southwark by night, and then and there feloniously slew Richard atte Hoke; and claiming benefit of clergy was committed to the custody of the bishop. Certificate of Walter Gourda, the bishop's commissary, that the usual proclamations had been made, but no one appeared to show cause why Thurstayn's purgation should not be received.—Puttenham, xvj Kal. Oct., 1376.

[**147 a.**] License of non-residence for two years granted to Thomas Kyngesbury (vol. i, p. 79), r. of Farnborough.—Southwark, 14 Nov.

[1] William Welles. He was vicar by provision of the apostolic see.

[147 b.] Mandate directed to prior of Winchester Cathedral to cause prayers for peace to be said, pursuant to letter from archbp. of Canterbury to bp. of London, dated at Lambeth, vj Kal. Nov.—Southwark, 14 Nov., 1376.

[148 a.] A similar mandate was directed to the archdeacons of Winchester and Surrey.

Dimissory for Edward Yung, having first tonsure, *ad omnes.* —*Ib.*, 22 Nov.

Dispensation from the obligation of proceeding to deacon's orders during one year, granted to John Parkere, r. of Bishopstoke (vol. i, p. 77), to study at Oxford or elsewhere.—*Ib.* 1 Dec.

License of non-residence for one year granted to ds. Richard, r. of St. Faith (vol. i, p. 119).—*Ib.*, 4 Dec.

Certificate for writ *de excommunicato capiendo* in the case of John Troman, of Hawkley, in parish of Newton Valence, for contumacy before Laverans, the official.—*Ib.*, 11 Dec.

Dispensation to Richard Gomfrey, r. of Droxford (vol. i, pp. 77, 86), acolyth, from the obligation of proceeding to subdeacon's orders during one year, to study at Oxford or elsewhere. —Merton, 20 Dec.

[148 b.] Summons of clergy to convocation at St. Paul's on the morrow of the Purification, pursuant to writ, dated 16 December, 50 Ed. III, and addressed to the primate, whose mandate to the bp. of London bears date x Kal. Jan., 1376–7.

[149 b.] Return to above mandate, dated at Waverley, 1 Feb., 1376–7.

John de Lydeforde appointed judge of Consistory Court:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto clerico nostro m. Johanni de Lydeforde, utriusque juris inceptori, s. g. et b. De vestris fidelitate ac circumspectâ industriâ plurimùm confidentes, ad audiendum omnes et singulas causas civiles et criminales seu mixtas tam clericorum quam laicorum subditorum nostrorum civitatis ac diocesis et aliorum jurisdiccionem nostram legitimè prerogantes,

ad forum ecclesiasticum spectantes sive ad partium instanciam, sive ex officio mero vel promoto procedatur, in consistorio nostro Wyntoniensi, et ubilibet in nostrâ diocesi, motas vel movendas, easque fine debito terminandum, testamentaque insinuandum et approbandum, ac administracionem bonorum huiusmodi testamenta concernencium committendum, compotum eciam seu raciocinium huiusmodi administracionum audiendum et admittendum, necnon ad inquirendum de criminibus et excessis quorumcunque subditorum nostrorum et aliorum in dictis nostris civitate et diocesi delinquencium, ac eos de premissis debitè corrigendum et puniendum, cum cuiuslibet cohercionis canonice potestate, vobis committimus vices nostras, vosque nostrum ac dicti consistorii sive curie nostre officialem constituimus et preficimus per presentes usque ad nostrum beneplacitum valiturum.

Ambulet igitur ante vos pura justicia, et sic ponat in viâ rectâ singulos gressus vestros, ut solum Deum habentes pre oculis, equo libramine ministretis cuilibet quod est justum.—Merton, 7 Jan., 1376–7.

Grant of dispensation to Hugh Buckenhulle, r. of Lambeth, having first tonsure only, from the obligation of proceeding in orders for the space of three years, while pursuing his studies in the university of Oxford.—Waverley, 4 Feb.

Grant of dispensation to Robert del Falle, r. of Brown Candover (vol. i, p. 105), from the obligation of proceeding to deacon's orders during one year, for the like object.—Newark priory, 21 Jan.

[150 a.] Inquiry by the official directed at the instance of parishioners of Betchworth, who allege that the vicar does not proceed in orders, wastes the goods of the vicarage, suffers the house of residence (mansus) to go to ruin, keeps a mistress, reveals the secrets of the confessional, and leaves the church unserved.[1]—Southwark, 20 Feb.

The bishop's powers as conservator of the order of Friars-Minors in England delegated to the abbot of Caerleon and others for the purpose of dealing with a charge of assault,

[1] He seems to have resigned in consequence (see vol. i, p. 86).

brought by brethren of the convent of Friars-Minors, Carmarthen, against John Veel and others:—

Willelmus, etc., fratrum ordinis minoris provincie Anglicane conservator sub certâ formâ inter alios a sede apostolicâ deputatus, dominis Johanni, Dei graciâ abbati de Karlyon, Landavensis diocesis, Johanni ap Gryffyt, abbati de Lanthan., m. Thome Branstone, precentori ecclesie Landavensis, m. dd. ap. ll.,[1] et domino Laurencio Morgan, canonicis ecclesie Landaviensis, salutem et mandatis apostolicis firmiter obedire. Ex parte religiosorum virorum ff. Johannis Bartelot, Roberti Douny, Ricardi Estone, Thome Nichol, Johannis Londone, et Walteri Kermardyn, conventûs Kermardynensis, ordinis fratrum minorum, nobis graviter conquerendo extitit intimatum, quod nonnulli iniquitatis filii, videlicet Johannes Veel, canonicus de Kermardyn, Walterus Caym, et alii, quorum nomina remanent in filacio penes Registrarium, sue salutis immemores, quorum improbitas versuti hostis insidiis subjugatur, ad execrabiles sevicias contra Deum et libertates ecclesiasticas et immunitates eiusdem animos erigentes, in religiosos viros predictos nequiter irruentes, manus et pedes in eosdem enormiter injecerunt temerè violentas, vestes eorum, quibus erant induti, fregerunt et eciam lacerârunt, ac eosdem eorum pedibus conculcârunt; et has et alias injurias manifestas eisdem notoriè irrogârunt, cuius patrati sceleris iniquitas manifesta nequit tergiversacione celari. Super quibus idem religiosi viri petierunt eisdem provideri de remedio oportuno.

Nos igitur contra tanti patrati sceleris auctores, quatenus ad nos et forum ecclesiasticum attinet, pro defensione jurium et privilegiorum eorundem remedium adhibere volentes, ad procedendum contra injuriatores predictos in causâ injuriarum predictarum, ipsamque fine debitâ terminandum, cum omnibus suis incidentibus, emergentibus, dependentibus et connexis, vobis conjunctim, et cuilibet vestrûm divisim, vices nostras committimus, cum cuiuslibet cohercionis canonice potestate, donec eas ad nos duxerimus revocandas.—*Ib.*, 25 Feb.

[153 a.] Above commission revoked and granted to archdeacons of Carmarthen and Brecon.—*Ib.*, 8 May, 1377.

Deputation of official to accept resignation of Walter

[1] Possibly David ap Lloyd. Whatever the name was, it baffled the scribe.

Sparcombe, r. of Goodworth Clatford (vol. i, p. 86).—Crondall, 12 Feb., 1376–7.

[150 b.] Licence of non-residence for one year granted to ds. William Rodes, r. of Shalfleet (vol. i, p. 152).—Southwark, 23 Feb.

Grant to John Spicere, r. of Hartfield, and Thomas de Overtone, clk., of probate of the will of ds. Richard Bokelly, v. of Mahymet (Menheniot), dio. Exon., as to assets in the diocese of Winchester.—Date wanting.

Grant of advocate's license to plead in Consistory Court :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto nobis in Christo m. Johanni Langryssh, v. ecclesie parochialis de Bechenestoke, Sarum dio., s. g. et b. Ut in consistorio nostro Wyntoniensi in advocati officio publicè valeas postulare, statutis et consuetudinibus dicte curie et aliis sinodalibus in contrarium editis seu hactenus observatis non obstantibus quibuscunque, certis causis et legitimis nos moventibus tolleramus, et tecum super hiis, quantum cum Deo et jure possumus, tenore presencium dispensamus et licenciam concedimus specialem, quousque eam ad nos duxerimus revocandum. Officiali nostro principali mandamus, quatenus te ad dictum officium inibi exercendum admittat, et juxta tue probitatis merita te pertractet.—*Ib.*, 2 March.

Similar licenses for rectors of Houghton (Richard Hayforde), and Hannington (Henry Amys); and for Thomas Denton, clerk to r. of St. Mary Kalendre, to practise as proctor.—Same date.

Appointment of Walter Chapelleyn, a minorite of Winchester, to confess the nuns of Wherwell until the quindene of Easter.—*Ib.*, 3 March.

Excommunication denounced against certain who refuse to pay the moiety of a subsidy laid on the church by the pope (p. 241) and procurations for the nuncios (p. 225) and against collectors who retain monies in their hands.—*Ib.*, 14 March.

[151 b.] Commission directed to m. William Wolfe, r. of Meonstoke, Walter Gourda, r. of North Stoneham, Robert Lemyntone, r. of Arreton, Hugh de Craft, r. of South Waltham, Nicholas de Kyngestone, r. of Crawley (vol. i, p. 134), and John

Holewale (*ib.*), chaplain of Holy Trinity Chapel (capella S. Trinitatis in atrio monasterii beate Marie civitatis Wynton.), to levy an aid of three groats or 12*d.* laid in the last convocation on every prelate, dignitary, beneficed clerk, or religious person, except the four mendicant orders, and one groat or 4*d.* on every non-beneficed person, whether in holy or minor orders, of fourteen years of age and upwards, pursuant to writ dated 12 March, 51 Ed. III.—*Ib.*, 19 March, 1376–7.

[152 a.] License of non-residence for one year, with usual clauses, granted to m. Richard Spicere (vol. i, p. 115), r. of Michelmersh.—*Ib.*, 26 March, 1377.

Apparitor-general (Thomas Thorp) licensed to practice in the Consistory Court.—*Ib.*, 31 March.

[152 b.] Monition for certain who detain goods of William Wysdom of Godalming, an intestate, to restore them within fifteen days under pain, etc.—*Ib.*, 16 April.

Return to treasurer (Henry, bp. of Norwich) and barons of Exchequer of names of collectors of subsidy for 1376–7.—Not dated.

[153 a.] License in common form granted to sir Rhys ap Gryffyth, kt., and dame Margaret his wife, to appoint their own confessor during the bishop's pleasure.—*Ib.*, 4 May.

Commission directed to dean of Guildford and others to demand clerks indicted of felony at Guildford.—*Ib.*, 30 May.

Dispensation granted to m. Nicholas Mockynge (vol. i, p. 52), r. of St. Olave's, Southwark, from the obligation of proceeding to deacon's orders for one year, to study at Oxford.—*Ib.*, 1 June.

[171 b.] Renewed for one year to study at Cambridge.—*Ib.*, 1 Oct., 1378.

[153 a.] License of non-residence granted to Roger Tangele (vol. i, p. 78), r. of Ashstead, for two years.—*Ib.*, 12 June.

Similar license granted to Robert Gerveys (vol. i, p. 78), r. of St. Michael's, Southampton, for one year to study at Oxford.—*Ib.*, 15 June.

Deputation of bailiff of the manor of Downton :—

William, per la soeffrance de Dieu evesque de Wyncestre, a toutz ses foialx et loiaux, et a toutz ses tenants, qui cestes lettres verront ou orront, saluz en nostre Sieur. Sachez nos avoir ordeinè et faite nostre cher et bien ame Johan Dekene de Dountone baillyf de nostre manoir de Dountone a garder noz terres et fraunchises appertenantz au dit manoir ove ses membres en toutz lieux tant come il plest a nous; et pur ceo vos mandons q' au dit Johan Dekene es choses susdites soietz entendantz, conseilans, et responans en dewe maner. En tesmoignance de quele chose nous lui avons fait faire cestes nos lettres patentes seallez de nostre seal. Don a Suthwerke le xxviij de Jun. lan de grace mill. CCC^me^ lxxvij lan de nostre consecracion disme.

Mandate directed to the official of the archdeacon of Winchester for prayers on the accession of Richard II, pursuant to king's writ in part iv—"ut ipse Deus pro suâ misericordiâ et magnâ pietate prefatum dominum nostrum regem in regimine gregis sui semper dirigat per suorum semitam mandatorum, statumque regni Anglie predicti, necnon procerum et magnatum, ac populi eiusdem regni conservare dignetur prosperum et tranquillum, iterque et actus eorum in suo beneplacito dirigat et defendat."—*Ib.*, 6 July, 1377.

A similar mandate was directed to the archdeacon of Surrey.

[**153 b.**] Commission to Lydeforde, the official, to hear and determine a cause of subtraction of tithe of *silva cædua*,[1] promoted by the rector of Mickleham (vol. i, p. 43), against William Hurey and other parishioners :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio Johanni Lydeforde, etc. Ad cognoscendum et procedendum in causâ subtraccionis decimarum silve cedue, quâ discretus vir ds. Henricus, r. ecclesie parochialis de Mikelham, nostre diocesis, contra Willelmum Huse, parochianum suum, et quoscunque alios parochianos suos, occasione

[1] By Archbp. Winchelsey's Constitutions of 1342, silva cædua, defined as "illam, quæ cuiuscunque existens generis arborum, in hoc habetur ut cædatur, et quæ eciam præcisa ipsius ex stipitibus aut radicibus renascatur," was declared to be titheable. The clergy wrested this to include great timber as well as underwood; wherefore by Stat. 45 Ed. III, c. 3, it was enacted, that if tithe were demanded of timber above twenty years growth, a prohibition should go.

subtraccionis et non solucionis decimarum silve cedue, nuncupate Uppedoune, infra fines et limites parochie sue predicte notorie situate, auctoritate ipsorum propriâ, ut pretenditur, subtractarum, pronunciandumque, statuendum, et decernendum in eâdem . . . vobis . . . committimus vices nostras, donec eas ad nos duxerimus revocandas.—Southwark, 6 July, 1377.

Commission granted by the bishop as conservator of the order of Friars-Preachers in England to the abbot of St. Dogmael's and archdeacon of Hereford to proceed against Walter Hanecok, r. of Llandawke, for assault on Philip Sparke, a friar of the order.—*Ib.*, 9 July.

[154 a.] Mandate directing the archdeacon of Winchester to levy a penny in the £ on all benefices in the diocese, towards raising a sum of 2100 florins for the expenses of Giles, provost of St. Minion's, Valence, during his mission to England and Flanders, at the rate of six florins a day from 2 June, 1376, to 17 May, 1377; which sum, together with a fee of five florins to his notary, must be paid to the receiver, Henry Wylows, r. of St. Olave's, Southwark, by Michaelmas day.—*Ib.*, 12 July.

[155 a.] The subprior and convent of Christchurch Twynham, having prayed the bishop to confirm the election of prior Wodenham (vol. i, p. 87), the bishop, by letter dated at Southwark, 13 July, directed the archdeacon of Winchester to make the usual proclamations. The archdeacon returned that he caused such proclamations to be made in the convent church, 16 July, but no opposers appeared.

Discharge of the executors (John de Notyngeham, capellanus, and John Yong, of Southwark, tailor), of the will of William Kelm, capellanus, quia nos Willelmus, etc., invenimus dictos executores bona dicti defuncti juxta ipsius ultimam voluntatem bene et fideliter administrâsse et eius testamento satisfecisse.

[156 a.] Absolution of John de Notynghame, who was excommunicate for contumacy before the commissary of the bishop.—Southwark, 8 Aug.

[155 b.] Excommunication denounced against certain who

denied food to persons in sanctuary at St. Margaret's, Southwark :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio decano de Suthwerke, necnon omnibus et singulis rectoribus, vicariis, et capellanis parochialibus per dictum decanatum constitutis, s. g. et b. Detestanda perversorum iniquitas ab horrendis sacrilegii seviciis nesciens abstinere, officium excitat presidentis ad oportuni remedii subsidia contra execrabiles eorum sevicias contra Dei ecclesias ac libertates et immunitates earundem perpetratas efficaciter apponenda.

Sanè fama tam publica et perpetrati sceleris evidencia, ac facti notorietas, ad nostrum deduxit auditum, quod licet omnes et singuli, qui aliquem, qui ad ecclesiam vel cimeterium aut claustrum confugerit, inde abstraxerint violenter, vel ei victum necessarium prohibuerint, aut factam suo nomine vel a familiaribus suis abstraccionem vel prohibicionem ratam habuerint, aut abstrahentibus vel prohibentibus prebuerint publicè vel occultè auxilium, consilium, vel consensum, ipso facto sint excommunicacionis vinculo innodati.

Quorundam tamen improbitas versuti hostis insidiis subjugatorum, quorum nomina ignorantur penitus et persone, Johanni de Waltone, clerico, et Mattheo Lovekyn de Petteworth ad ecclesiam parochialem S. Margarete in Suthwerke, nostre diocesis, confugientibus, victum necessarium prohibuit et factam eorum nomine et a familiaribus suis prohibicionem ratam habuit preter et acceptam, in ecclesie Dei dispendium, ipsorumque animarum periculum, et dictorum fugiencium dampnum non modicum et jacturam.

Quocirca nos contra tanti patrati sceleris auctores, quatenus ad forum ecclesiasticum attinet, pro defensione jurium et immunitatum ecclesie juris remedium adhibere volentes, vobis communiter et divisim in virtute obediencie firmiter injungendo mandamus, etc. (excommunication denounced in usual terms).—*Ib.*, 20 July, 1377.

Commission granted to prior of Merton to visit Reygate priory.—*Ib.*, 30 July.

[156 a.] Mandate directed to the official of the archdeacon

of Winchester to call the clergy to arms, pursuant to writ dated 8 August, 1377:—

Vobis igitur auctoritate nostrâ ordinariâ committimus et firmiter injungendo mandamus, quatenus necessitate ac periculis in dicto brevi superiùs enarratis consideratis tenerrimè et attentè, omnes et singulos abbates, priores, religiosos, et alias personas ecclesiasticas quascunque archidiaconatûs predicti, omni excusacione postpositâ, armari et arraiari et armis competentibus, videlicet quemlibet ipsorum inter etates superiùs nominatas[1] juxta statum, possessiones, et facultates suas, muniri, et eos in millenis, centenis, et vintenis poni faciatis, ita quod prompti fuerint et parati cum aliis fidelibus domini nostri regis contra dictos inimicos infra regnum Anglie, ad ipsos, cum Dei adjutorio, debellandos et destruendos, et ad maliciam et pertinaciam eorundem propulsandum et continendum.

Et super hiis debitè, fideliter, et celeriter exequendis omnem diligenciam, quâcunque negligenciâ depositâ et amotâ, prudenter et sagaciter apponatis, ac premissa omnia et singula, sicut honorem Dei et ecclesie, regis et regni Anglie, zelatis, infra viij dies a tempore recepcionis presencium continuè numerandos exequi fideliter studeatis, juxta omnem vim, formam, et effectum brevis supradicti ac harum literarum nostrarum, et ordinetis personas predictas in formâ congruâ et decenti, et designetis in scriptis clarè et distinctè per cedulas et quaternos, nomina et cognomina omnium et singulorum abbatum, priorum, religiosorum et aliarum personarum ecclesiasticarum quarumcunque archidiaconatûs predicti sic armatorum, et qualiter sunt arraiati et armati ac muniti; et nobis ea in scriptis celeriter et integrè sub vestro sigillo transmittatis.[2]—Same date.

Dame Elizabeth Juleres, countess of Kent, licensed to choose her own confessor.—Farnham, 22 Aug.

Probate of will of William de Newdegate, deceased, granted to his son John, liberty to prove being reserved to his widow Amice, and to John Kyngesfolde and Henry Lechesforde, the other executors.—Same date.

[1] *i.e.*, in the writ.—See Rymer's *Foedera*, III, 3, 64.

[2] The Isle of Wight was raided by the French about the end of August.—*Walsingham*, i, p. 340.

Summons of clergy to parliament. Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio officiali archidiaconi nostri Wynton. s. g. et b. Breve domini nostri regis recepimus in hec verba *Ricardus*, etc. Vobis eciam vigore dicti brevis firmiter injungimus et mandamus, quatenus premuniatis seu facias premuniri archidiaconum nostrum Wynton. ac clerum archidiaconatûs eiusdem, quod idem archidiaconus in propriâ personâ, dictusque clerus per unum procuratorem idoneum, plenam et sufficientem potestatem ab ipso clero habentem, predictis die et loco intersit, facturi et recepturi, quod tenor et effectus dicti brevis exigunt et requirunt.

Et nos de facto vestro in premissis, unà cum nomine procuratoris a dicto clero electi, citra dictum terminum certificetis, etc.—Waltham, 26 August, 1377.

A similar summons was addressed to archdeacon of Surrey.

Summons of prior of Winchester Cathedral :—

Willelmus, etc. Breve domini nostri regis, etc. Vigore igitur dicti brevis vos tenore presencium premunimus, et per vos capitulum dicte ecclesie vestre premuniri volumus et mandamus, quatenus die et loco in dicto brevi superiùs designatis, quod vos personaliter, dictumque capitulum per unum procuratorem idoneum, plenam et sufficientem potestatem ab ipso capitulo habentem, intersitis et intersit, ad consenciendum hiis, que tunc ibidem de communi consilio dicti regni contigerit ordinari.[1] Et nos de nomine procuratoris, etc.—Same date.

Mandate directed to the officials of both archdeacons, to sequestrate certain benefices conferred by provision for non payment of first fruits, and excommunicate the holders ; also to monish certain clerics for non payment of procurations, pursuant to a mandate from Arnald Gernerii, collector of papal dues, dated London, 15 August.

Churches to be sequestrated :—Wonston, St. Mary's Guildford, and Houghton, also Quarr abbey and Andover priory for

[1] Hody (*History of Convocations*, p. 417) infers that the clergy sat in the parliament of 1377 from the heading of a petition of the clergy of both provinces presented to the king in that parliament, and recorded in the roll, p. 64 : "To our most excellent lord the king his devout orators the prelates and clergy of the provinces of Canterbury and York humbly pray," etc. : and that they were likewise present in the parliament held at Gloucester on St. Luke's day, 2 Ric. II.

procurations of 1375; abbeys of Chertsey, Quarr, Waverley, Netley, and Wherwell; priories of Christchurch Twynham, Selborne, and Andover, for procuration of 1376 and 1377; St. Mary's abbey, for procuration of 1375 and 1377.

Churches to be sequestrated for non-payment of first fruits:—

Tresford in respect of its appropriation to St. Mary's abbey, Winchester, in pope Clement's eleventh year[1]; Lambeth; Leckford prebend on provision to Adam Pope; and Romsey vicarage.

The bishop's return. As regards benefices in the archdeaconry of Winchester, the commission was sent to Henry, r. of Arreton, the official, who deposited it in his church, and it disappeared when the French raided the Isle of Wight (see p. 273). As regards benefices in the archdeaconry of Surrey, the churches of Lambeth and St. Mary's, Guildford were discharged from sequestration upon a *supersedeas* from the nuncio; the abbots of Chertsey and Waverley have been cited.—Southwark, 18 Nov.

[157a.] Administration of the goods of Robert Hegeman, an intestate, granted to William Peyto and others.—Farnham, 26 Sept.

Monition for ds. William —— r. of Cold Henley[2] for non residence.—Highclere, 4 October.

Similar monition for Henry, r. of Esher (vol. i, p. 80).—Esher, 11 October.

License of non-residence until St. John Baptist's Day, 1378, granted to him in order to be in attendance on Nicholas Kaerwent, r. of Crondall.—Southwark, 3 October.

[157b.] Mandate directed to archdeacons' officials to summon clergy to convocation at St. Paul's, to grant a subsidy, pursuant to archbishop's letter, dated London, vj Id. Oct., 1377, reciting the following writ of summons:—

Ricardus, etc., venerabili in Christo patri, Simoni, eâdem graciâ archiepiscopo Cantuariensi, tocius Anglie primati, salutem.

[1] This was a mistake on the part of the collector, as will be seen later.
[2] A hamlet two-and-a-half miles north of Whitchurch.

Cum inimici nostri, inter se alligati, et undique hostiliter congregati, regnum nostrum Anglie in pluribus locis per terram et per mare sepiùs invaserunt, mala quamplurima et intollerabilia nobis et ligeis nostris perpetrando, et non solum de hoc contenti, dictum regnum nostrum ac ecclesiam sanctam, nosque ac populum nostrum Anglie de die in diem se parant totis viribus subvertere et destruere, nisi eorum malicie, adjuvante Deo, fortiùs resistatur. Unde in salvacionem statûs ecclesie sancte et regni ac populi predictorum necessariam defensionem sumptus ac census et expensas inestimabiles et aliquo tempore preterito magis solitò grandiores effundere nos oportet.

Verum quia de copiâ thesauri vel bonorum in primordiis nostri regiminis, nec mirum, penitus alieni, ad ipsorum onerum et sumptuum supportacionem absque juvamine fidelium nostrorum non sufficimus, sicut scitis, vobis in fide et dileccione, quibus nobis tenemur, rogando mandamus, quatenus consideratis tam arduitate negociorum predictorum quam grandibus periculis, que ecclesie et regno predictis oculatâ fide eminere conspiciatis, attentis debitè et consideratis, suffraganeos vestros decanos et priores ecclesiarum cathedralium, abbates et priores et alios electivos, exemptos et non exemptos; necnon archidiaconos, capitula, et collegia, totumque clerum cuiuslibet diocesis vestre provincie ad comparendum coram vobis in ecclesiâ S. Pauli London. vel alibi, prout expedire videritis, ad breviorem diem quem poteritis more solito convocari faciatis, et eis dictis negociis, et periculis ibidem pleniùs expositis et declaratis, ipsos ad subsidium in hoc casu competens et necessarium in supportacionem dictorum onerum et sumptuum nobis concedendum eò specialiùs et cum efficaciâ, quâ magis sciveritis vel poteritis tantâ necessitate causante, inducatis, et partes vestras ad hoc effectualiter apponatis; nos in cancellariâ nostrâ de quantitate subsidii illius ac de termino solucionis eiusdem certificantes.

Et hoc sicut nos et honorem nostrum ac salvacionem et defensionem ecclesie et regni predictorum diligitis, nullatenus omittatis.

Teste meipso apud Westm. xxix^{mo} die mensis Septembris, anno regni nostri primo.

[158 b.] Summons of prior and chapter of Winchester.—Same date.

The Bishop's return is dated Monday, 9 Nov., 1377.[1]

[159 a.] Confirmation, dated at Southwark, 4 November, of the following licence of non residence granted by the prior of Winchester Cathedral to f. Nicholas de Wykeford, in order to be in attendance on his brother, the archbishop of Dublin[2]:—

F. Hugo, miseracione divinâ prior ecclesie cathedralis Wynton., f. Nicholao de Wycforde, confratri nostro, salutem et sincere caritatis affectum. Morum tuorum merita et virtutum, necnon venerabilis in Christo patris et domini, domini Roberti, Dei graciâ Dublinensis archiepiscopi, fratris tui germani, deputacio jugis, nos excitant et inducunt, ut tibi aliquid concedamus gracie specialis. Ut igitur a monasterio nostro predicto abesse, ac cum eodem venerabili patre, vel alibi, quo ipse decreverit, in loco honesto, tuo statui et ordini congruente, valeas comorari, ac eciam beneficium ecclesiasticum quodcunque tuo statui competens ac tue professioni conveniens poteris et possis accipere et licitè retinere, et ad alia beneficia ecclesiastica consimilia ubicunque tibi canonicè conferenda migrare, et de ipsorum fructibus et proventibus liberè disponere, necnon quandocunque volueris ad monasterium nostrum predictum redire, dum tamen alibi promotus non fueris, et a tempore reditûs tui in monasterio nostro antedicto moram feceris corporalem et in omnibus et per omnia te laudabiliter et honestè gesseris, prout decet, liberatam hactenus consuetam in omnibus percipere et cameram in infirmariâ nostrâ, quam diutiùs occupâsti et occupas, occupare, et omnia alia, que de jure seu consuetudine monasterii nostri predicti tibi possint deberi, percipere valeas, debeas et habere, deliberacione providâ et tractatu diligenti cum conventu nostro prehabitis, concurrentibus omnibus et singulis que in hâc parte de jure et consuetudine requiruntur, tibi liberam in Domino concedimus facultatem tenore presencium literarum, eximentes te de consensu et assensu confratrum nostrorum ab omni onere chori, claustri, et tabulâ[3] quibuscunque, tuâ durante absenciâ, ut prefertur.—Winchester, 11 January, 1376–7.

[1] Two tenths were granted on this occasion. The prior of Winchester was appointed collector for the archdeaconry of Winchester, and the prior of Christchurch Twynham for the archdeaconry of Surrey.

[2] Robert de Wykeford, LL.D., fellow of Merton Coll., Oxford, and archdeacon of Winchester; archbishop of Dublin by papal provision 12 October, 1375, and chancellor of Ireland. Died 29 August, 1390.

[3] This was the duty of inscribing on a tablet the names of the monks in course to say mass at the different altars week to week.—See *Du Cange*, s. v. Tabulæ Officiales, and Obedientiary Rolls of St. Swithun's, Winchester, pp. 202*n.*, 510.

Mandate directed to the official of the archdeacon of Winchester for prayers to be said for the expedition to Sluys[1]:—

Sacro attestante eloquio, intellectûs nostri oculos aperit et non latet, quod dum Moyses legis lator, ductor populi Israelitici, preces devotas in conspectu Altissimi suppliciter effundebat, hostes suos idem populus devincebat; et vincebatur, quociens desineret exorare. Unde cum *multum valet deprecacio justorum assidua* presertim si cum instanciâ debitâ offeratur, nos dudum intuentes, quanta discrimina bellorum et invasionum nostrorum hostium externorum ad aggrediendum, ingrediendum, et affligendum fines regni Anglie, tam per terras, quam per mare, cum non parvâ multitudine classium et virorum armatorum indies parabantur, processiones fieri et missas celebrari, et alias oraciones devotas dici et continuari in omnibus monasteriis, ecclesiis, et aliis sacris locis civitatis et diocesis nostre Wynton. mandavimus, et fecimus certas indulgencias huiusmodi missas, processiones, et oraciones exercentibus et dicentibus in humilitatis spiritu concedentes; sic prohdolor! vehementer angit intima cordis nostri, quod ab huiusmodi missis, processionibus, et oracionibus clerus et populus nobis subditus jam pigrescit, que, dum fiebant, ab Alto presidium attulerunt.

Veruntamen, quia propter guerrarum discrimina ingruencia et hostium huiusmodi aggressiones et insultus verisimiliter imminentes citiùs propulsandos nobiles viri Thomas, comes Huntyngdonie,[2] et Johannes, dux Brittanie, et nonnulli alii fideles regni, pro tuicione et defensione ecclesie et regni predicti in manu forti ad mare cum nostro navigio Anglie sunt profecti, hostes huiusmodi cum Dei adjutorio propulsuri, pium providimus et oportunum eos in suâ expedicione devotis ecclesie precibus adjuvare; et ob hoc prefatas processiones, etc.—Southwark, 13 Nov., 1377.

[159 b.] Acquittance by Henry Weluwes, r. of St. Nicholas Olave, receiver for Giles, provost of St. Minion's, Valence, for £12. 0*s.* 8¾*d.*, received of the bishop, by the hands of m. John

[1] An English fleet under the command of Thomas de Woodstock, earl of Buckingham, and the duke of Brittany, sent to attack the Spaniards at Sluys, was dispersed by a storm. —*Walsingham*, i, 344.

[2] An error for comes Bukynghamie. Sir Guiscard d' Angoulême was earl of Huntingdon at this time.

de Bukyngham, for his contribution to the penny in the £., laid on the clergy of the province.—London, 17 November, 1377.

[**160 a.**] Acquittance by the same, for £31. 0*s.* 4*d.*, received of the bishop, viz., 62*s.* 0¼*d.*, for the farthing in the £., for the archbp. of Ravenna, and £27. 18*s.* 3¾*d.*, for the penny in the mark for the archbps. of Ravenna and Rouen.—*Ib.*, 24 November.

Administration of the goods of John Brocas, an intestate, granted to Henry de Popham and William Borsal.—Southwark, 21 November.

[**160 b.**] Proceedings in the matter of the purgation of Nicholas Cridel. He was indicted before Sir John atte Lee, kt., and Nicholas Careu, seneschal of the Marshal's Court, for that on Thursday, the eve of St. Vedast and Amand, 39 Ed. III, he feloniously stole the horse of one John Wellynge at Shooter's Hill; and pleading the privilege, was committed to the custody of the late bishop and so remained. The bishop, on his denial of the charge, appointed sixteen compurgators, viz., the rectors of St. George's, St. Swithun's (ecclesia super Kyngate), St. John's, St. Michael's (ecclesia extra Kyngate), and Chilcomb, and the following curates (capellani) Henry Ketene, William Stoke, Roger Everard, John Brokman, Walter Aylmere, William Werkman, John Ferour, Philip de Worthy, Thomas of St. Pancras, Thomas Hursele, and Richard Aylwyn, and directed [**161 a**] the usual proclamations for opposers to be made. The official returns, v Id. Sept., 1377, that the usual proclamations had been made, but no one came.

[**161 b.**] Mandate for the monition of certain who wrongfully felled trees in the woods of John de Uvedale at Bletchingley and Chaldon:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio decano de Ewell, necnon rectoribus ecclesiarum de Blechyngle et Chalvedone, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Ex parte dilecti filii Johannis de Uvedale nobis graviter querelando extitit nominatum, quod nonnulli iniquitatis filii, quorum nomina ignorantur penitus et persone, quasdam silvas prefati Johannis infra parochias de Blechyngle et Chalvedone predictas constitutas, preter et contra voluntatem dicti Johannis ingredientes, nonnullas quercus et alia ligna in dictis silvis tunc

crescencia exciderunt et prostrârunt, illaque sic excisa inde asportârunt, alienârunt, et abduxerunt, seu huiusmodi excisionem, asportacionem, alienacionem, et abduxionem eorum nomine vel a familiaribus, notis, vel amicis suis factas ratas habent et acceptas, in animarum suarum grave periculum, dictique Johannis dampnum non modicum et jacturam. Super quibus sibi petebat per nos de remedio provideri oportuno.

Quocirca vobis comuniter et divisim committimus et mandamus, firmiter injungentes, quatenus in ecclesiis parochialibus de Blechyngle et Chalvedone prefatis, aliisque ecclesiis convicinis, ubi magis expedire viderit, et per partem dicti Johannis fueritis congruè requisiti, moneatis et efficaciter inducatis, monerive faciatis et induci, publicè et generaliter, omnes et singulos huiusmodi quercus et alia ligna excidentes, asportantes, alienantes, et abducentes, seu huiusmodi excisionem, asportacionem, alienacionem, et abduxionem factas, ut premittitur, ratas habentes, quod infra xx dierum spacium a tempore monicionis vestre continuè numerandorum, quem terminum eis pro termino peremptorio et monicione canonicâ assignamus, huiusmodi quercus et alia ligna prefato Johanni reddant, restituant, et revelent, seu de eisdem satisfaciant debitè, ut tenentur (in default, excommunication denounced in usual terms).—*Ib.*, 1 Dec., 1377.

[162 a.] Sir Bernard Brocas,[1] kt., appointed chief parker to the bishop :—

William per la grace dieu evesque de Wyncestre a touz yceux qi cestes lettres verront ou orront saluz en Dieu. Sachez nous avoir assignez et ordenez notre trescher et bien amè mons. Bernard Brocas, chivaler, chief surveour et sovereign gardein de touz noz parkes, chaces, warannes et autres noz deductez[2] per toute nostre evesquee et patrimonie, à les surveier, garder, et faire garder al honore et profit de nos et de nostre esglise, sanz nulle wast, damage, ou destruction de sauvagine,[3] et herbage ou de boys en ycelles faire per nulle voie ; per qei nous mandons et comandons a touz noz tenants, servants, et ministres, et prioms

[1] Mentioned *ante* p. 2 as present at the bishop's enthronization. He lived at Roche Court, near Fareham, which had come to him through his wife, who was the widow of Sir John de Burghunte.

[2] Literally "attractions," *Fr.* déduits, id quod deductui inservit.—*Du Cange.*

[3] Wild animals. Sauvaginæ dicuntur feræ. *Du Cange*, sub voc. "Silvaticus."

a touz autres noz amys et bienvoillantz, qa dit mons. Bernard en le dit office feisant et exerceant soient eidantz et entendantz duement pur nostre honore et profit avantditz en toutes choses q a les dites survene et souveraigne garde appartient.

En tesmoignance de quele chose nous avons fait faire au dit mons. Bernard cestes noz lettres patentes ensealee de notre seal, a durer a nostre voluntee.—Farnham, 5 Dec., 1377.

[162 a.] Monition of certain men of Tichfield, who opened a chapel of their own at Hook.[1]

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio m. Johanni Langerysshe, sequestratori nostro in archidiaconatu Wynton., s. g. et b. Fama publica et facti notorietas, patratique sceleris evidencia, ad nostrum deduxerunt auditum, quod parochiani ecclesie parochialis de Tichefelde, nostre diocesis, inhabitantes hamelettam sive villatam de Hoke, nostre diocesis predicte, quorum nomina ignorantur penitus et persone, quandam capellam in hamelettâ seu villatâ predictâ, et infra fines et limites parochie dicte ecclesie, in casu a jure non proviso, et absque nostrâ licenciâ seu auctoritate aliâ legitimâ quâcunque, erexerunt, edificârunt, seu per alios erigi et edificari procurârunt, preter et fecerunt, illis quorum notoriè intererat in hâc parte non legitimè vocatis nec ad hoc consensum prebentibus vel assensum; ipsique parochiani diebus dominicis aliisque solemnibus et festivis, in quibus misse, predicaciones, salutariaque monita, injuncciones, et precepta per rectorem seu vicarium dicte ecclesie ex debito eorum officio in ecclesiâ eâdem celebrabantur et fiebant, celebrantur et fiunt, sicuti celebrari fierique deberent, ab eâdem ecclesiâ, dum premissa sic fiebant et fiunt, se subtraxerunt, et subtrahunt eciam in presenti, missasque et alia divina officia huiusmodi diebus dominicis ceterisque festivis maioribus et duplicibus, et presertim in illis, in quibus parochiani dicte ecclesie ad eorum parochialem ecclesiam predictam accedere tunc deberent, divina officia missasque parochiales precipuè audituri, in capellâ predictâ sic de novo, ut premittitur, erectâ, eciam absque nostrâ licenciâ, seu auctoritate aliâ legitimâ quâcunque, campanis in eâdem capellâ per ipsos appensis et altè pulsatis, parochianos dicte ecclesie ad

[1] A hamlet two miles west of the village of Tichfield, in the ecclesiastical district of Hook with Warsash.

hoc ac populum convocando publicè celebrari fecerunt et faciunt, ipsique parochiani, dum sic huiusmodi divina officia celebrabantur et fiebant, celebrantur et fiunt, interfuerunt et intersunt publicè in eâdem; quorum pretextu oblaciones et decime alieque devociones et cetera jura parochialia, in dictâ ecclesiâ fieri debita et consueta, per dictos parochianos pluries subtrahuntur, oblacionesque dictorum parochianorum et aliorum in dictâ capellâ factas, ad prefatam ecclesiam parochialem et ipsius vicarii eius nomine pertinentes, ipsi parochiani indebitè perceperunt et detinuerunt, percipiunt et detinent, percipi et detineri fecerunt et faciunt, nequiter et injustè, in nostri et ecclesie nostre, ecclesieque parochialis predicte, grave prejudicium animarumque eorum periculum, et scandalum plurimorum.

Indempnitati igitur dictarum ecclesiarum in hiis prospicere, ac animarum subditorum nostrorum periculis in hâc parte, prout nostro incumbit officio pastorali, obviare, debitè cupientes, vobis firmiter injungendo mandamus, quatenus omnes et singulos parochianos predictos ac capellanos in dictâ capellâ celebrantes auctoritate nostrâ requiratis, moneatis, et efficaciter inducatis, requiri et monerive faciatis publicè et generaliter, quos eciam ex habundanti primò secundò, et terciò ac peremptoriè tenore presencium requirimus et monemus, quod infra xij dierum spacium a tempore monicionis nostre huiusmodi atque vestre eisdem facte immediatè sequencium et continuè numerandorum, quorum xij dierum quatuor pro primo, quatuor pro secundo, et reliquos quatuor dies pro tercio et peremptorio termino ac omnibus dilacionibus et monicione canonicâ eis assignamus, et per vos volumus assignari, a premissis omnibus et singulis desistant injuriis et excessibus cum effectu, et pro eisdem nobis ecclesiis ac personis predictis satisfaciant debitè, ut tenentur.

Alioquin si infra tempus predictum a premissis illicitis injuriisque et eorum excessibus non destiterint, et de illis minimè satisfecerint, istisque requisicionibus ac monicionibus nostris atque vestris huiusmodi effectualiter non paruerunt, morâ et culpâ eorum, nostrâque et vestrâ monicione canonicâ precedentibus, in ipsos parochianos et capellanos, qui culpabiles et rebelles fuerunt in premissis, vel eorum aliquo, exnunc prout extunc excommunicacionis, ac in ipsam capellam interdicti summas in hiis scriptis ferimus ac eciam promulgamus.

Et quid feceritis, etc.—Farnham, 23 December, 1377.

[172.] Langrysshe returned that he attended at Tichfield church and published the monition after mass, but "parochiani dicte parochialis ecclesie, prefatam hamelettam de Hoke inhabitantes, tunc in dictâ ecclesiâ parochiali personaliter presentes, altâ voce et pomposâ dixerunt, quod, non obstante contradiccione cuiuscunque, ipsi haberent capellam suam et divina officia in eâdem; et, ut comunis se habet relacio, ipsi parochiani et alii post et contra vestras et meas requisiciones et moniciones huiusmodi fecerunt celebrari divina pluries in eâdem capellâ." The bishop placed the matter in the hands of archdeacon Edyndone, John de Lydeforde, the official, John de Campeden, and others.—Southwark, 18 January. Lydeforde held a sitting in the church of St. Mary Overy, Southwark, 22 January, 1377–8, and pronounced a sentence of interdict:—In Dei nomine, Amen. Nos Johannes de Lydeforde, etc., receptâ per nos primitùs in formâ juris informacione de famâ publicâ ac notorietate facti ereccionis cuiusdam domûs private ad instar capelle infra parochiam de Tychefelde apud Hoke, Wynton. dioc., quia per informacionem coram nobis factam et captam ipsam domum seu capellam pretensam absque licenciâ, ac preter et contra voluntatem dicti domini episcopi eiusdem loci diocesani, ac absque quâcunque auctoritate sufficienti, et in prejudicium pontificalis dignitatis dicti domini episcopi, ac religiosorum virorum abbatis et conventûs monasterii de Tychefelde predicti, ipsam ecclesiam parochialem in usus proprios obtinencium, infra cuius parochiam dictus locus seu capella pretensa est erecta, ipsum locum seu capellam illam pretensam et locum eiusdem sic de facto et minus legitimè erectam, auctoritate nobis commissâ a celebracione divinorum suspendimus et interdicimus, ac ad omnem juris effectum ipsam domum sive capellam pretensam et locum eiusdem ecclesiastico supponimus interdicto, et ipsum locum seu ipsam capellam sic fuisse et esse suspensam et interdictam, ecclesiasticoque interdicto suppositam, pronunciamus et declaramus [173 a] sentencialiter in hiis scriptis. The dean of Droxford certified, March 31, 1379, that he had cited the offenders[1]

[1] Their names were:—William Maple, Henry Kyrye, John Tolle, John Wyryng, ds. Robert Whelere, capellanus, Robert Scottere, William Tolle, Richard Tukkere, Richard Suttone, John Fordere, Peter Fyssh, William Gadales, Henry Northwell, John Maple, John Digelle, John Tollere, John Boukeswell, John Baysse, John Aubrey, Robert Malgere, Roger atte Mere, Richard Chaumpeneye, John Pipe, John Laurens, William Webbe, and William Waryn.

to appear before the bishop at Winchester Cathedral on the [174 a] Thursday after Palm Sunday. They did not appear, and the bishop fulminated a sentence of excommunication against them from Wolvesey, 30 March, 1379.

[162 b.] Monition of parishioners of Lambeth refusing to subscribe for new church bells [1]:—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis decano de Suthwerke et capellano parochialis ecclesie parochie de Lamheth, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Ex parte procuratorum et quorundam parochianorum ecclesie parochialis de Lamheth predictâ graviter conquerendo nobis extitit informatum, quod licet parochiani dicte ecclesie ad construccionem, sustentacionem, reparacionem, et refeccionem ecclesie, campanilis, et campanarum eiusdem ex constitucionibus sanctorum patrum in eâ parte rite editis et legitimè promulgatis, necnon ex consuetudine eciam in hoc casu legitimè prescriptâ, et in dictâ parochiâ hactenus pacificè observatâ, contribuere teneantur, nonnulli tamen dicte ecclesie parochiani ad faccionem campanarum ecclesie predicte, ad usum necessarium eiusdem ecclesie de comuni consensu ipsius ecclesie parochianorum jam de novo constructarum, contribuere recusant, et eciam contradicunt, nequiter et injustè; super quo petierunt per nos de remedio sibi provideri oportuno.

Vobis igitur comuniter et divisim comittimus et mandamus, quatenus quoscunque parochianos dicte ecclesie de Lamheth rebelles in premissis auctoritate nostrâ legitimè moneatis et efficaciter inducatis, quatenus ad construccionem dictarum campanarum contribuant debitè, ut teneantur; ipsosque ad hoc, si opus fuerit, per quascunque censuras ecclesiasticas canonicè compellatis.

Ad que facienda, etc.—Southwark, 27 Jan., 1377–8.

[1] Church bells are amongst the things which, according to one of Archbp. Whittlesey's Constitutions, A.D. 1305, the parishioners shall provide, namely, legendam; antiphonarium; gradale; psalterium; troperium; ordinale; missale; manuale; calicem; vestimentum principale cum casulâ, dalmaticâ, tunicâ, capâ in choro, cum omnibus suis appendiciis; frontale ad magnum altare cum tribus tuellis; tria superpellicia; unum rochettum; crucem processionalem; crucem pro mortuis; thuribulum; lucernam; tintinuabulum ad deferendum coram Corpore Christi in visitacione infirmorum; pyxidem pro Corpore Christi; honestum velum quadragesimale; vexilla pro rogacionibus; campanas cum chordis; feretrum pro defunctis; vas pro aquâ benedictâ; osculatorium; candelabrum pro cereo paschali; fontem cum serurâ; imagines in ecclesiâ; imaginem principalem in cancello; clausuram cimeterii; reparaciones navis ecclesie interiùs et exteriùs, tam in imaginibus quam in fenestris vitreis; reparacionem vestimentorum quandocunque contigerit eadem reparacionibus indigere.—*Gibs.*, 200.

Probate of will of Matilda, wife of Thomas atte Wel, of Farnham, granted to him, power being reserved to grant to John Keter, the other executor.—Farnham, 7 Feb., 1377–8.

[163 a.] New endowment of the vicarage of Kingston-on-Thames.

Differences having arisen between the prior and convent of Merton, as appropriators of the church of Kingston with the chapels of Moulsey, Ditton, and Sheen annexed, and Robert de Bokenhulle the vicar, as to the sufficiency of the endowment, sanctioned by bp. Edyndone 2 April, 1352, a fresh agreement was now arrived at, to the following effect:—The vicar and his successors to receive all and all manner of offerings at the church and chapels aforesaid, or any other chapels to be erected in the parish, or to the altars, reliques, oratories, roods, images, or pyxes in any of them, and all donations and bequests not specially given to the fabric of the chancels of the said church or chapels; also all dead mortuaries (mortuaria mortua), commodities of paschal tapers, and fees for confessions, burials, and commemorations; also all and all manner of oblations and dues (devociones) ecclesiastic, living or dead, and of whatever nature, in the said church and chapels and elsewhere in the parish of Kingston, so that they concern not the fabrics; also the tithe of cows, calves, goats, kids, pigs, rabbits, and other animals, and of fowls, pigeons, lambs, peacocks, geese, ducks, and the like, and of cheese, milk, curds,[1] bees, honey, wax, and eggs throughout the parish; except nevertheless and reserving to the prior and convent the following tithe in their manors of Muleseye (Moulsey), Berewelle, Hertyngdone, and Canonebury, whether those manors be in their own manurance, or demised to tenants, namely, in the manor of Muleseye, eight cows, three sows, five geese, five ducks, ten hens, and two hundred wethers; in the manor of Berewelle, eight cows, two sows, five geese, five ducks, and ten hens; in the manor of Hertyngdone, thirty-two cows, one sow, three geese, three ducks, and five hens; and four cows, four sows, five geese, five ducks, and ten hens in the manor of Canonebury; also three dovecots, one at

[1] The word here is lacticinia, which, according to Du Cange, means dishes of milk and eggs, ὠόγαλα, *Fr.*, laitage; but here appears to mean milk products, butter or curd.

Muleseye, one at Berewelle, and a third at Canonebury. Also the tithe of flax, hemp, and madder[1] throughout the parish, and of corn in the gardens or curtilages of the said churches or chapels when under the spade (pede fossatis seu fossandis), and of grass and all other crops growing in the gardens and not belonging to any of the said manors. If at any future time any garden ground shall pass under the plough the prior and convent shall have tithe of the grain therefrom; and if any land under the plough not belonging to any of the said manors shall come to be garden ground the vicar shall have tithe of grass grown therein while under the spade. Also the vicar shall have tithe of all meadows, pastures, agistments, pannage, willows, osiers, underwood, and of firewood, vineyards, and produce of all sorts of fruit trees throughout the parish, except in the said manors. Also tithe, personal and mixed, of all traders, artificers, innkeepers (pandoxatores), brewers, and higglers, throughout the parish, and of the officers, farmers, and servants of the prior and convent within their manors, as well of their gains as of the profits of their cattle and of other people's cattle taken in to graze in the manors and pastures of the priory, except tenants' own cattle and cattle rented by them of the priory;[2] also of all that grows in the graveyards of the said church and chapels, except great timber, and of pigeons and other birds about the same. Also of all mills, fisheries (gurgites), ponds, and stews now existing or thereafter to be made for all kinds of fish in the Thames and elsewhere in the parish; of the mill at Muleseye and fishery at Braynforde (Brentford), and all that private water commonly called "Several Water" adjoining thereto, reserving a right of fishing therein to the prior and convent and their nominees during the present letting, and of the fishery of Kayho[3] when it is not in the hands of the prior and convent. Also 5*s.* yearly rent with heriots, reliefs and advantages issuing out of a corner tenement in Kingston, late of William Fyssh, which was given to the vicar of Kingston and his successors by John de Arcubus

[1] Waranca; *Fr.* garance.

[2] Land and stock leases, under which the landlord found the necessary live stock for the use of the tenant, were common at this period. Several instances occur in the early records of Winchester College. Dairies are often let in this way at the present day.

[3] A fishing near Brentford, for which the prior and convent of Winchester Cathedral received rent.—*Obedientiary Rolls of St. Swithun's, Winchester*, p. 128.

in pure and perpetual alms. Also thirteen quarters of grain yearly, to wit, three quarters of rye (siligo) of the abbot of Chertsey's tenants at Petersham on All Saints' Day; two quarters of wheat, four of dredge,[1] two of rye, and two of barley, at the prior's grange at Kingston in equal portions, at Michaelmas, Christmas, Easter, and Midsummer. Also four marks from the parishioners of Kingston in part payment of the stipend of the curate of Kingston, in four equal portions on these days. And it shall be lawful for the vicar that now is and his successors to appoint fit holy water bearers (habiles et idoneas personas, aque benedicte baiulas [2]) to serve the said church and chapels, and keep, or license others to keep, a school for boys, to teach reading, writing, plain song, and Latin, up to and including the grammar of Donatus (scolas quoque puerorum literarum, cantûs, et aliorum usque Donatum inclusivè tenere seu aliis concedere [3]). Also all small tithes whatsoever payable, whether by custom or law, throughout the parish, except such as are reserved to the prior and convent. Also from the prior and convent three loads of rye straw yearly at Easter or within fifteen days after, towards thatching the houses of residence (mansiones) at the three chapels, viz., one load from the grange at Muleseye, one from the grange at Canonebury, and one from the grange at Hatche. The prior and convent shall receive the great tithes of corn not grown in gardens; of hay, mortuaries (mortuaria viva), and tithes of wood and lambs in the vills of Kingston, Norbeltone (Norbiton), Sorbeltone (Surbiton), Coumbe, Hertyngdone, Hatche, Hamme, Petrushame, la Hoke, and Berewelle, and all other tithes, profits and emoluments ecclesiastic arising within the parish, or appertaining to the said church or chapels, save such as are already assigned to the vicar; and the small dwelling house (mansus), on the little watercourse at Kingston, which was formerly assigned to the vicar, but which he now, for himself and his successors, cedes [164 a.]to the prior and convent. They shall repair and whenever necessary rebuild at their own cost the chancels of the said

[1] Mixtilio: a mixture of oats, barley, and peas, sown for horse-feed.

[2] See p. 76, n.

[3] By the bishop's statutes for his foundation at Winchester (Rubric II), candidates for election to scholarships must be "in lecturâ, plano cantu et antiquo Donato competenter instructi."

church and chapels, including the chapel at Petersham, together with the screens (divisiones, "parclosez" vulgariter nominatas) between naves and chancels. And they grant to the vicar and his successors in augmentation of their portion three closes, one called Presteshagh, lying at Ditton, bounded by the king's highway on the north, and lands of Richard Birchet and John Buryman on the south, and extending from the graveyard of Ditton chapel and a croft called Crughagh on the west, to Richard Vaghelere's toft on the east; another, lying at Sheen, having the king's manor and William Ladde's toft on the west, and extending from the open field called "Byhyndehaghus" on the south to the king's highway on the north; the third at Muleseye, lying between the curtilages late of William Chuk and Ralph Colyn, and extending from the king's highway to Henry Cok's curtilage, as sites for houses for the chaplains of Ditton, Muleseye, and Sheen. Within six months from the date of the endowment, the prior and convent shall erect houses on the sites at Ditton and Sheen, each house to consist of a hall with a chamber parted off at either end, the chamber at the upper end to have a latrine (cloaca), and each house to be forty feet in length by eighteen in width; and repair a similar house already built at Muleseye within the same period; the vicar keeping all three houses in repair thenceforward at his own expense, and engaging competent chaplains to inhabit them, and providing all vestments, ornaments, and things necessary for divine worship in the said churches and chapels, which the incumbent is bound by the provincial constitutions to provide. The vicar to pay a due proportion according to the present assessment (secundum utriusque porcionis taxacionem prout ad presens taxantur ad decimam) of all extraordinary burdens, such as subsidies or tenths to king or pope, or procurations for cardinals and nuncios. The vicar for himself and his successors admits this portion to be sufficient and suitable (congrua), and that the house of residence, formerly John Lovekyn's,[1] is and ought to be sufficient for the vicar and his successors, being kept in repair by him and them. Provided always, that so long as the prior and convent shall perform their part of the contract

[1] The citizen and stockfishmonger who founded St. Mary Magdalen's Hospital at Kingston-on-Thames (vol. i, p. 11).

faithfully, they shall not be vexed with claims on the part of the present or any future vicar for a revision of his portion. If at any future time the vicar or any chaplain shall be ejected in course of law from his house of residence, the prior and convent shall indemnify him by providing within two years another sufficient house at their own cost. The endowment sanctioned by bp. Edyndone to be no longer binding so far as it may be in conflict with any of the above provisions, all of which are set forth in an indenture of three parts, one retained by the vicar of Kingston, another by the prior and convent of Merton, and the third deposited in the chapter house at Winchester, and dated 28 Feb., 1376–7.—Confirmed at Southwark, 27 Nov.

[165 a.] Commission directed to chaplain of Yateley to absolve a parishioner from the sentence of excommunication, which he had incurred by laying violent hands on the chaplain of Farnborough.[1]—Wolvesey, 12 April, 1378.

Commission directed to two Carmelite friars to confess certain persons from Bayeux :—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis nobis in Christo fratribus Petro de Papiro et Johanni de Campo Magno, ordinis fratrum Carmelitarum, s. g. et b. Devocionem vestram, quam ad salutem animarum procurandum habere dinoscimini, in Domino commendantes, ut quoscunque de civitate Baiocensi et partibus Vasconie infra nostram diocesim constitutos a peccatorum suorum maculis, que vobis aut vestrûm alteri confitebuntur, eciam in casibus nobis de jure vel consuetudine specialiter reservatis,[2] absolvere valeatis, ac eisdem pro huiusmodi comissis penitencias injungere salutares, ipsumque sacramentum eukaristie ministrare, dumtamen ecclesiis parochialibus nostre diocesis, aut ipsorum curatis, per hoc non fiat prejudicium aliquale, vobis et utrique vestrûm liberam tenore presencium in Domino concedimus facultatem, usque ad octabas Pasche proximò future tantunmodo duraturam.—Same date.

[165 a.] License granted to Brantingham, bp. of Exeter, to consecrate the oils and make the holy chrism on Cena Domini; also to ordain clerks from his own diocese in any suitable place

[1] See p. 187 *n.*

[2] Vol. i, p. 121 *n.*

within the diocese of Winchester during his treasurership.—Wolvesey, 13 April, 1378.

[165 b.] Acquittances for the two tenths of 1377–8 :—

By the prior of Christchurch Twynham, for 17*s.* 4*d.* levied on the church of Woodcot, and by the prior of Winchester Cathedral, for 893 marks, four shillings and sixpence, levied on the spirituals and temporals of the see of Winchester, and £6. 2*s.* 8*d.* levied on the church of Bishop's Sutton.—Winchester, 17 and 20 Jan., 1377–8.

Acquittance to the bishop for £6. 2*s.* 8*d.*, the amount of two tenths on the church of Bishop's Sutton :—

Pateat universis per presentes, quod nos, prior et conventus ecclesie cathedralis Wyntoniensis duarum decimarum domino nostro regi Anglie a clero Cantuariensis provincie ultimò concessarum collectores in archidiaconatu Wyntoniensi deputati, recepimus die confeccionis presencium de reverendo in Christo patre, etc., per manus Johannis de Ketene, thesaurarii ipsius episcopi de Wolveseye sex libras, duos solidos, et octo denarios bone et legalis monete Anglie pro plenâ solucione dictarum duarum decimarum pro ecclesiâ de Suttone episcopi in decanatu de Alresforde existentis. De quâ quidem summâ tenemur predictum episcopum et ecclesiam erga dictum dominum regem et quoscunque alios acquietare et exonerare.—Winchester, 20 Feb., 1 Ric. II.

License granted to Sir Thomas West, kt., to choose a confessor —— ut dominum Ricardum, capellanum tuum, licitè eligere valeas, qui in capellâ tuâ infra manerium tuum de Westwode, nostre diocesis antedicte, situatâ tibi, uxori, et liberis, ac consanguineis tuis propriis, necnon Katherine et Juliane, tibi familiariter obsequentibus, in isto festo pasche jam instanti penitencie et eukaristie sacramenta liberè valeat ministrare.

Ita tamen, quod ecclesie parochiali in cuius parochiâ dicta capella situata existit, aut ipsius curato, per hoc non fiat prejudicium aliquale, et aliud canonicum non obsistat, tibi, uxorique, et liberis ac consanguineis tuis predictis, et personis aliis memoratis sacramenta predicta recipiendi et dicto presbitero ipsa, ut

premittitur, ministrandi, licenciam tenore presencium in Domino concedimus specialem.—Wolvesey, 17 April, 1378.

[165b.] Proceedings at an inquiry held by m. Thomas Spert, official of the bp. of Bath and Wells, at the chapter house, Taunton, 29 Nov., 1377, into the state and condition of the priory; present, Henry Persay and Walter Clopton, representing the bp. of Winchester; Walter Grateley, prior of Taunton; John Kyngesbury, subprior; Walter Cook, cellarer; Peter Ilmynstre, sacrist; John Cley, precentor; and Thomas Ilmynstre, Walter Goue, Thomas Grey, Roger Stacy, Thomas Askham, Tholomew Frysel, John Welles *alias* Tappewere, John Tuleye, Robert Newtone, John Croukorne, and John Russhetone, canons of the house, super quibusdam discordiis sive controversiis ortis, motis, et indecisè dependentibus occasione observancie regularis inter eosdem obtinende, necnon gubernacione bonorum spiritualium et temporalium dicte ecclesie conventuali pertinencium, it being alleged that the prior was incompetent to govern the house, propter eiusdem f. Walteri nimiam simplicitatem, corporis debilitatem, senectutemque. Witnesses were examined, and ultimately the prior resigned.

[166a.] Appointment of prior Kyngesbury by delegation to bp. of Bath and Wells:—

Willelmus, etc., prioratûs beati Petri Taunton., ordinis S. Augustini, patronus, universis et singulis presentes literas inspecturis, s. g. et b. Cum per liberam resignacionem et spontaneam cessionem f. Walteri Grateley, nuper prioris prioratûs antedicti, dicta ecclesia conventualis sit de presenti eâ occasione pastoris solacio totaliter destituta, ac omnes et singuli dicte ecclesie conventualis canonici et in eodem professi ad providendum dicte ecclesie de priore et ipsius pastore in alto et basso purè, liberè, et sponte voluntati et ordinacioni venerabilis fratris nostri in Christo, patris et domini Johannis, permissione predictâ Bathon. et Wellen. episcopi, eius prioratûs diocesani, et nostris, gratìs et voluntariè se submiserunt, licenciâ insuper et assensu ad hoc a nobis petitâ primitùs et obtentâ, prout in hâc parte hactenus fieri consueverit, in formâ debitâ:

Nos tamen arduis negociis regni Anglie ac ecclesie nostre

cathedralis Wynton. propediti, quominus provisioni dicte ecclesie conventualis pro nunc intendere personaliter valeamus, ad providendum eidem ecclesie, et proficiendum f. Johannem de Kyngesbury, confratrem et concanonicum dicti prioratûs, et in ordine beati Augustini expressè professum, literarum sciencià, moribus, vitâ, et aliis quibuscunque ad statum prioris huiusmodi necessariis meritò commendatum, in priorem dicti prioratûs, venerabilem fratrem nostrum in Christo patrem et dominum, dominum Johannem, d. g. Bathon. et Wellen. episcopum predictum, organum vocis nostre constituimus et ordinamus, ac eidem patri in hâc parte in omnibus et per omnia vices nostras comittimus per presentes, etc.—Farnham Castle, 18 April, 1378.

Presentation of Kyngesbury :—

Venerabili in Christo patri, etc., Willelmus, etc. Cum dilectus noster f. Johannes de Kyngesbury, canonicus ecclesie conventualis sive prioratûs beati Petri Taunton., vestre diocesis et nostri patronatûs, in priorem dicte ecclesie sive prioratûs antedicti fuerit et sit nostris beneplacito et licencià, ut est moris, petitis primitùs et obtentis, prefectus preter et assumptus ; nosque, prefeccionem suam in hâc parte meritò approbaverimus et consensum nostrum eidem prestiterimus ; prefatum f. Johannem priorem, quatenus ad nos attinet, vobis remittimus expeditum, rogantes, quatenus quod vestro pastorali incumbit officio peragere, et quod vestrûm est in hâc parte adimplere, dignetur vestra fraternitas reverenda, quam ad regimen sue sancte ecclesie conservet Altissimus diu et feliciter in prosperis permansuram.—Southwark, 1 May.

[**166 b.**] Petition to the king, praying that the church of Hacche[1] may be discharged from tenths on the ground of poverty and depopulation :—

Excellentissimo in Christo principi, etc., Willelmus, etc., salutem in Eo, per quem reges regnant et principes dominantur. Cum ecclesia de Hacche, nostre diocesis, que dudum parochialis erat et curata, propter carenciam populi, cum non sit qui infra ipsius parochiam jam inhabitet, ad tantam inopiam patenter sit redacta, quod a multis retroactis temporibus non erat nec inveniatur aliquis istis temporibus qui ipsam ecclesiam propter

[1] Vol. i, p. 374. This church was situate at Hatch Warren, two miles south-west of Cliddesden, near Basingstoke.

ipsius exilitatem nimiam voluerit aut velit occupare; sicque parochianis et curato totaliter destituta notoriis jam deformatur ruinis, et que dudum erat divino cultui sumptuosè constructa, modo funditùs destructa, ab omnibus derelicta censetur. Cumque temporalia prioris de Granâ in dictâ nostri diocesi existencia taxata, et de quibus decime solvi consueverunt, citra primam pestilenciam hominum generalem adeo decreverunt et ad nichilum sunt redacta, quod modernis temporibus pro nichilo et derelictis habentur, et in desertum sive solitudinem conversa, feris et volatilibus celi potiùs quam humanis usibus deputantur, prout per inquisicionem legitimam et alias informaciones in hâc parte habitas nobis constat evidenter.

Placeat igitur excellencie vestre regie collectores decimarum in dictâ nostrâ diocesi jam deputatas de pecuniarum summis de dictis ecclesiâ et temporalibus occasione decimarum huiusmodi a retro existentibus in vestro scaccario exonerari jubere, regie salutis obtentu et divine intuitu pietatis. Celsitudinem vestram regiam in omni prosperitate et salute conservet Omnipotens temporibus feliciter duraturis.—*Ib.*, 30 April, 1378.

Mandate directed to dean of Winchester for the sequestration of the rectory of St. Michael's, Fleshmonger Street, on the ground of the non residence of the rector, John Chalkeberde (vol. i, p. 99).—*Ib.*, 10 May.

[**167a.**] Licence of non residence for three years granted to Thomas Stafforde, r. of Fordingbridge (vol. i, p. 50).—Wolvesey, 25 June.

Commission directed to archdeacon of Surrey for the usual proclamations and inquiry with a view to the purgation of Henry Chapman and Robert Phelipe, who were indicted on the charge of having on Monday in Whitsun week, 37 Ed. III, broken into the close of Laurence atte Causey of Arundel, and stolen therefrom two black horses and a white horse, with their saddles and bridles, value eight marks, and claiming privilege, were committed by the justices of assize (William de Fyncheden[1] and his fellows) to the bishop's prison.—*Ib.*, 8 July.

[1] William de Fyncheden was raised to the bench of the Common Pleas 29 Oct., 1365, and became its chief 14 April, 1371.

[**167 b.**] Appointment of Thomas Ynge, pr., as coadjutor to William, r. of Minstead (vol. i, p. 43), who is averred to be old, infirm, and almost blind, Nicholas Payn of Lockerley being surety—fidemisit pro eodem presbitero, ut videlicet omnia et singula premissa fideliter adimpleret, presentibus Johanne de Swafham, clerico, et Henrico de Thorp, notariis publicis.—*Ib.*, 9 July, 1378.

[**168 a.**] License of non-residence for one year granted to Richard de Thorntone, r. of Nether Wallop (vol. i, p. 87), to study at the University of Cambridge.—Farnham, 6 June.

Summons of prior of Winchester cathedral and archdeacon of Winchester to parliament at Gloucester on the Wednesday next after St. Luke, 1378, pursuant to writ in Part IV.[1]—Highclere, 11 September.

License of non residence for three years granted to m. Nicholas Longe, r. of Walton-on-Thames (vol. i, p. 60).—*Ib.*, 10 October.

Administration of the goods of Edward Chike, late of Mottistone, an intestate, granted to John de Penkestone, r. of Brighstone, and John, r. of Mottistone.—*Ib.*, 11 October.

Will of Stephen Welewyk of East Tisted, Englished. Bequeathes soul to God, the Blessed Virgin and all Saints, and body to be buried before altar of Our Lady in East Tisted church. For funeral and a trental[2] the sum of £10 in money or goods.

For the lights burning before the images of the Blessed Virgin and St. Katherine in East Tisted church, a cow value 10*s.*

For candles during one year in honour of Our Lord's Body and the Rood in that church, a cow value 10*s.*

To provide candles at the elevation of the Host (coram levacione Corporis) in every church in the deanery, 3*s.* 4*d.*, and to every chaplain in residence at these churches a trental.[3]

[1] See p. 274*n.*

[2] Unum tricennale, the price of thirty masses during the month after death: the month's mind.

[3] Yet by archbp. Edmund's Constitution, A. D. 1236, none shall leave ought by will for yearly or monthly masses.—*Gibs.*, 458.

To the mother church at Winchester, 6*s.* 8*d.*; to the fraternity "de la Kalendres" there, 6*s.* 8*d.*; to the friars-preachers, 40*s.*; to the friars-minors, 40*s.*; to the Austin friars, 40*s.*; to the Carmelites, 40*s.*; to every poor man at Magdalen hospital, 6*d.*; to every nun at Wherwell abbey, 12*d.*; to every poor man at Magdalen hospital, Alton, 12*d.*; to the lamp of St. Katherine at Newetone (Newton Valence), 6*s.* 8*d.*

Residue to Maud the widow. Executors, John Romeseye of Worldham and Richard Welham, under supervision of John Byrtone, clk., and Maud the widow.

Dated at East Tisted on the Friday after the Annunciation, 1378, and proved by the executors before the bishop at Farnham, 22 November, same year.

[**168 b.**] Letter to the official of the archdeacon of Winchester. The bishop has received a letter from the primate, dated at Gloucester, 3 November, complaining that £25. 11*s.* 2½*d.* out of the moiety of a tenth laid by the late pope Gregory XI on the clergy of the province, and £75. 4*s.* 7½*d.* out of the procurations levied for nuncios of the Apostolic See, are certified by Henry Weluwes, the collector-general, to be in arrear, and directing the official to admonish the rectors of Cheriton and Crawley, the sub-collectors, to remit the sum in arrear by St. Hillary.—Highclere, 19 Nov.

Will of sir John de Foxley, kt., Englished:—

Bequeathes his soul to God, the glorious Virgin Mary, and All Saints, and his body to be buried in All Saints' chapel in Bray church, near the tombs of his fathers and ancestors, with the due and customary mortuary. Funeral expenses to be at discretion of executors. Twenty pounds to be distributed amongst the poor on the day of his death, and twenty pounds to be laid out in masses for the souls of himself, his ancestors, and benefactors, at the altar in said chapel.

Bequeathes for the use of the chaplains officiating at that and other altars in said church a great mass book bound in red leather, a silver-gilt chalice with round foot, a silver-gilt paten, and a set of priest's vestments with alb and parures of blue silk (de panno serico de blueto), embroidered with fleurs-de-lis,

and chasuble, stole, and fanon of the same, for use in said church; and to the fabric thereof 50*s.*

To the fabric of Finchampstead church, 6*s.* 8*d.*; to the high altar there a priest's vestment with chasuble and parures of sad red silk and two tunicles of the same.

To the fabric of the church of Wokingham, 3*s.* 4*d.*

To the fabric of the church of Eversley, 3*s.* 4*d.*

To the fabric of the chapel of Bromeshulle (Bramshill), 3*s.* 4*d.*; to the altar there a priest's vestment with parures and chasuble of white silk and appurtenances.

To the fabric of Sarum cathedral, in satisfaction of any tithe that the testator may haply have omitted to pay, 20*s.*

To the fabric of the church of Farnborough, near Lewisham, 3*s.* 4*d.*

To the fabric of the chapel of Apuldrefelde, 13*s.* 4*d.*, and a priest's vestment with chasuble of red silk and wide orphreys and appurtenances; also a portiphory (missale portatile) "de usu monialium," bound in red leather.

To the Friars-Minors, Reading, 13*s.* 4*d.*, and to the Friars-Preachers, London, 13*s.* 4*d.*

To the king's most excellent majesty his great bugle horn (cornu meum magnum de bugle), ornamented with gold, the gift of his late illustrious lord and master, Edward king of England.

Executors to buy, at the expense of his paternal estate, a slab of marble to cover the tomb of his father and mother in All Saints' chapel, Bray, and provide a brass on the said slab, portraying the effigies of his father and mother, with an inscription, and his coat impaling hers. And after his death his executors to provide another slab of marble for his tomb, and a brass portraying his effigy with an inscription and his coat with his first wife's coat impaled on right and his second wife's on left.

Bequeathes to daughter Katherine his silver-gilt cup (ciphus) with a lion on the lid; to his daughter Margaret his silver-gilt cup fashioned like a chalice, with silver-gilt lid having on it a shield engraved with his arms.

To his sister Margaret a white silver cup fashioned like a

chalice with engraved top, and on it a shield engraved with his arms.

To Thomas Paynel his nephew his dun horse, his habergeon, his large basnet [1] with visor and aventaille [2] and five marks.

To his nephew John Feghelere his horse "Morelhale," a habergeon, a basnet with visor and aventaille, and four marks.

To his nephew John Haillewarde the sum of £4., in which the testator was bound for him on the occasion of his marriage, and eight marks.

To Joan the testator's wife his horse "Gantrone," his white sumpter horse, and his black pack horse (equum meum pro maletto nigrum), his best silver cup with a man's head on the cover, his silver gilt cup fashioned like a bicker with a stag lying on a crag on its cover, a white silver bowl with silver lid, six silver plates (disci), six salts, twelve spoons, and two plain pieces of silver; also the use during her life of a priest's vestment of cloth of gold worked with red and gray silk, a chasuble, an amice, and a stole of the same, a silver gilt chalice with foot fashioned like the rowel (moletta) of a spur, with six points, a silver gilt paten with his arms engraved on the boss at its base, two white silver cruets, a little bell, a silver gilt paxbrede, and a copper gilt cross with the images of the Crucified, St. Mary, and St. John; and after his said wife's death the same to go to his son Thomas and his heirs, remainder to his brother John and his heirs, remainder to their brother Richard and his heirs, remainder to the right heirs of the testator. Executors to purchase out of the estate another priest's vestment and mass book for his wife's use so long as she lived, and on her death to go with the said ornaments. Bequeathes to her also his best china cup (ciphum meum murreum meliorem [3]) mounted in silver gilt, with silver gilt foot and china lid similarly mounted, with a scutcheon of the testator's arms on its top.

Bequeathes to Henry Estormy his deep silver gilt dish fashioned like a trencher; to m. Arnald Brocas the larger of the two silver bowls which the testator travelled with [4]; to John

[1] A light helmet with moveable front.

[2] The moveable front to such a helmet, covering the face.

[3] One of the "Murreaque in Eois pocula cocta focis" of which Propertius speaks.—Lib. V., 26.

[4] Quæ mecum trussari solebant—which used to be packed up with his baggage.

de Weltone the other bowl, the one without lid, and two "plat peces" of silver to make a lid for it; to Robert de Loxle the silver bowl and lid with the testator's arms on a scutcheon upon it; to John de Foxle, clk., another silver bowl without lid and two "plat peces" to make a lid for it; to the testator's wife a pair of gold combs, a gold necklace, device a pair of clasped hands, with a small gold cross set with pearls pendant, a pair of silver gilt folding tablets, enamelled and engraved with figures, and a small ring set with a diamond.

To his lord the bishop of Winchester a ring set with a sapphire, and a large gold pouncet-box set with pearls holding musk.

To Nicholas, abbot of Westminster, a ring set with an emerald, and to the abbot of Waltham a ring set with a sapphire engraved with the names of the three kings,[1] and the small psalter which was his gift.

To testator's sister Margaret the smaller of his two silver-gilt tablets, which is enamelled and engraved with figures.

To Margery, wife of John de Weltone, a gold necklace, enamelled and engraved "S.," and to John Bollok the bay horse standing at Christchurch Twynham priory.

To the testator's wife his old psalter half-bound in green leather, his old psalter in silk "diaspre," his old portiphory, noted, with psalter, his old gradual with sequences, Kyrie, etc., in green leather, for use during her life, and at her death to go with the ornaments of his private chapel.

His executors to pay his debts and reward his servants according to merit and length of service.

Residue to executors to dispose of for his soul in their discretion. Executors, his wife, Arnald Brocas, John de Weltone, Robert de Foxle, and John de Foxle, clk.—Dated at Bramshill, 5 Nov., 1378.

[169 b.] Mandates directed to the officials of both archdeaconries to enforce payment of a number of pensions in arrear, due by the archdeacons of Winchester and Surrey, the vicar of Kingsclere, and others.—Southwark, 8 Dec.

[1] Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar.

[170 a.] License of non residence for two years granted to Thomas Prophete, r. of St. George's, Southwark (vol. i, p. 27), to study at Oxford.—*Ib.*, 10 Dec., 1378.

Presentation of John Tylle, r. of Luckington, dio. Sarum, to church of Rimpton, on an exchange (see vol. i, p. 113).—*Ib.*, 11 Dec.

Deputation of constable of Taunton :—

William, par le seoffrance de Dieu evesque de Wyncestre, a touz ses amys et bien voillantz, et a touz ses tenantes et subgitz quecumqes, qi cestes lettres verront ou orront, salutz en notre sieur Dieu. Sachez nous avoir ordeinez et faitz notre cher et bien ame Roger Dore conestable de notre chastel de Tauntone, a garder nos manoirs, terres, libertes, droitures, et franchises apertenantz a noz chastell et manoirs susdites et a notre esglise de Wyncestre, et a tenir noz courtes et les foreyns letes et laghedaies, come autres conestables ont fait avant ces heures, et a pursuire, chalanger, et defendre touz les droitures, fraunchises, libertes, privileges, et coustumes apertenantz a noz chastell et manoirs susdites, et a notre esglise de Wyncestre, en touz lieux et courtes qeconqes, per le temps q'il demora notre conestable illeoqs. Et por ceo nous posons especialement a touz nos amys et bien conseillantz, et mandons a touz noz tenantes et subgites, q'a dit Roger Dore es choses susditz soietz eidantz, conseilantz, entendantz, et responantz, enfesantz toutes choses qa son dit office appartient en dewe manere. En tesmoignance, etc.—Highclere, 7 Jan., 1378–9.

[171 a.] Excommunication denounced against some who intermeddled with the assets of John Byker, late of Southwark, deceased, after sequestration.—Southwark, 5 Feb.

Mandate directed to William de Brikbrigge and others to absolve John Cheyne, r. of Hanbury, from a sentence of excommunication in a cause promoted by him against m. Richard Toneworth, to recover possession of the prebend of Colwich. The bishop issued the mandate as "executor principalis" of a diffinitive sentence of the Roman Curia.—*Ib.*, 13 Feb.

[171 b.] Mandate directed to v. of Kingsclere for the sequestration of the Nuthanger portion [1] :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio, perpetuo vicario ecclesie de Kyngesclere, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Famâ publicâ referente ad nostrum pervenit auditum, quod quidam Ricardus Thurban (vol. i, p. 81), porcionarius decimarum parochialium de Notehanger in parochiâ ecclesie de Kyngesclere, et nostre diocesis supradicte, qui fructus et proventus ecclesiasticos et alia quamplura bona ab ipso beneficio suo suscepit, domos et edificia eiusdem que processores et predecessores sui sumptuosè construxerant adeo neglexit et negligit in presenti, quod ipsa domus et edificia integra non conservat, set et dirupta non reficit neque parat, eadem ad terram funditùs corruere permittendo, propter quod ipsius beneficii statum deformitas occupat, fructus quoque redditus et proventus eiusdem in usus prophanos et aliter illicitos indebitè convertuntur, dum prefatus Ricardus intitlatus sive institutus in beneficio supradicto ipsum, ut fertur, habet pro derelicto, fructus provenientes ex eodem permittit ab invadentibus occupari, dilapidari nequiter, et consumi, nec sit qui inhabitet, aut velit onera eidem beneficio incumbencia debitè supportare, in animarum grave periculum, dicti beneficii dampnum et jacturam, perniciosum exemplum et scandalum plurimorum.

Indempnitati igitur dicti beneficii in hiis, prout possumus, succurrere cupientes, vobis committimus et mandamus firmiter injungentes, quatenus ad ipsum beneficium personaliter accedentes, omnes et singulos fructus et proventus spirituales et ecclesiasticos eiusdem exstantes et proventuros ex causis premissis, vocatis primitùs ad hoc vocandis, auctoritate nostrâ legitimè sequestretis, eosque pro reparacione domuum et edificiorum predictorum necnon pro oneribus supradictis debitè supportandis sub arto custodiatis sequestro, quousque reparacio huiusmodi debitè facta fuerit seu aliud super hiis legitimè receperitis in mandatis.

Et quid feceritis, etc.,—*Ib.*, 25 February, 1378–9.

[181 b.] This sequestration was relaxed 4 Nov., 1379, on Thurban's undertaking to do the repairs.

[171 b.] Citation of prior and chapter of Winchester

[1] Nuthanger, a tithing of Kingsclere, two miles west of the village.

Cathedral and archdeacons of Winchester and Surrey to attend a parliament at Westminster in the quindene of Easter, with the *premunientes* clause.[1]—*Ib.*, 1 March, 1378–9.

Administration of assets of John Keteryngham, r. of Limpsfield (vol. i, p. 102), granted to Roger Stalkendene and another. —*Ib.*, 4 March.

[**172 a.**] License of non residence for one year granted to r. of Farnborough (vol. i, p. 99) in order to be in attendance on the countess of Arundel and sir Thomas Cheigny, kt.—*Ib.*, 9 March.

M. John Shepeye, dean of Lincoln, f. Laurence Childe, papal penitancer, and two others, appointed proctors to pay the bishop's triennial visit to Rome.—London, 26 March, 1379.

Dispensation to Walter Philippe, r. of Abbots Ann (vol. i., p. 100), from the obligation of residence for two years, to study anywhere (ubicunque viget studium generale in Angliâ).—Wolvesey, 6 April.

[**174 b.**] Summonses to convocation at St. Paul's, pursuant to writ dated 16 March, 1378–9.—Wolvesey, 8 April.

[**175 b.**] The return dated Southwark, 6 May.

[**175 a.**] Licence granted to Roger Wyke, r. of Berghe,[2] in consideration of the poverty of the benefice and ruinous condition of the buildings, to say one year's masses for the soul of Arnald Lovelawe, cheeseman, deceased, in the parish church and not elsewhere, and to receive the customary fee.—*Ib.*, 29 April.

[**175 b.**] Dispensation granted to m. John Irlaunde, r. of Limpsfield (vol. i, p. 102), having the first tonsure only, from the obligation of residence during one year, to study.—Same date.

[**175 b.**] Similar license for three years granted to Roger Tangeleye, r. of Ashstead (vol. i, p. 78), in order to be in attendance on earl Warre.—*Ib.*, 25 May.

[1] See p. 274 *n.*

[2] Or Berwe, now Barrow (see vol. i, p. 183 n.) In Manning and Bray's *History of Surrey*, II, p. 583, it is placed in the parish of Banstead.

Abbot of Hyde and prior of Christchurch Twynham appointed assessors of the subsidy granted in 1379 for the archdeaconry of Winchester, and prior of Merton for the archdeaconry of Surrey; with instructions to collect and remit by St. John Baptist's Day.—*Ib.*, 9 June, 1379.

The grant by convocation is recited in the writ:—

Simond, ercevesque de Cantebirs, x marcs: les evesques, abbes mitres, abbesses, et priours de grant estat, queux sont piers du Roialme, et priours des esglises cathedralx, chescun a vj marcs.

Item tous autres abbes, abbesses, priours et prioresses, deans, chapitres des esglises cathedralx et collegialx, franches chapelles du Roi, archidiaknes, chauntours, chancellers, tresoreres, et autres dignites, provostes, gardeinx, rectours des esglises conventuelx et collegialx, priours aliens, procuratours et baillifs, provendres et curatz, et autres persones qeconqes, eantz benefices en offices a la value de D marcs par an et outre, chescun a lx*s.*

Item touz abbes, abbesses, et touz autres persones de seinte esglise come desuis, qont benefices a la value de cc*li.* et outre tanq. a D marcs, chescun a xl*s.*

Item touz abbes, abbesses, et touz autres persones de seinte esglise come desuis, qont benefices de la value de c*li.* et outre tanq. a cc*li.*, chescun a xxx*s.*

Item touz autres abbes, abbesses, et touz autres persones de seinte esglise come desuis, qont benefices a la value de C marcs et outre tanq. a cl*li.* chescun a xx*s.*

Item touz autres abbes, abbesses, priours et autres persones de seinte esglise come desuis, qont benefices a la value de xl*li.* et outre tanq. a C marcs chescun a un marc.

Item touz autres abbes, abbesses, et touz autres persones de seintes esglises come desuis, qont benefices de la value de x*li.* p. an. et outre tanq. a xx*li*, chescun a v*s.*

Item touz autres curatz et beneficers, chapellains parochielx et annuelers, et autres chapellains qeconqes, si bien ceux qe sont es services des seignours et des autres gentz qeconqes, come ceux qe sont en esglises cathedralx, collegialx, et conventuelx, chescun a ij*s.*

Item moigns, chanoignes, noneux, et autres homes et femmes de religion qeconqes, queux sont des maisons qe sont de la value de CCC marcs p. an. et outre, chescun a xl*d.*

Item moigns, chanoignes, noneux, et autres homes et femmes de religion qeconqes, queux sont des maisons de la value de C marcs par an. et outre tanq. a CCC marcs, chescun a xx*d.*

Item moigns, chanoignes, noneux, et autres homes et femmes de religion qeconqes, queux sont des maisons de la value de xl*li.* p. an. et outre tanq. a C marcs, chescun a xii*d.*

Item tous autres homes et femmes de religion q sont des maisons dedeins la value de xl*li.* p. an., et touz clercz nient avancez ne beneficiez, de qel ordre ou estat qils soient, forspris ceux qi sont dedeins lage de sesze ans, et clercs mendinaux, chescun a iiij*d.*

Item touz advocates et procuratours notaries, nient avancez ne mariez, chescun a xl*d.*

[176 b.] Commission to swear the assessors—de fideliter assidendo omnes et singulas personas, quas in dicto archidiaconatu ad dictum subsidium assideri contigerit, absque favore quocunque alicui persone in eâ parte.—*Ib.*, 9 June, 1379.

Return of assessors' names to Exchequer.—*Ib.*, 22 June.

Resignation of William Boteller, r. of St. Owen's, Bristol, on promotion to Brighstone (vol. i, p. 103).—*Ib.*, 19 June.

License of non residence for one year granted to ds. Thomas Tozande, r. of Faccombe (vol. i, p. 75), with usual clauses.—*Ib.*, 27 June.

[177 a.] Will of John Mockynge, dated on Tuesday next after St. Edmund the King, 1378, Englished :—

I bequeath to the high altar of St. Olave's, Southwark, 6*s.* 8*d.*; to the fabric of that church, 13*s.* 4*d.*; and for my burial there, 6*s.* 8*d.* I bequeath to the light of the Holy Cross, 40*d.*; to the light of St. Mary, 40*d.*; to the light of St. Nicholas, 12*d.*; to each chaplain, 12*d.*; to the master clerk, 12*d.*; to the sub-clerk, 8*d.* Also I will that two clerks be found to say masses

for my soul there during one year after my death, and one clerk to say masses for my soul and the souls of the faithful departed during six years after. I bequeath to the fabric of London Bridge, 13*s.* 4*d.*; to the fraternity of St. Thomas on London Bridge, 6*s.* 8*d.*; to the convent of St. Mary Overy, 6*s.* 8*d.*; to St. Thomas the Martyr's hospital, 6*s.* 8*d.*; to each of the five orders of friars in London, 5*s.* The residue of my goods and chattels, after performance of will and debts and funeral expenses paid, I bequeath to Alice my wife, to be expended for the good of my soul in her discretion. I appoint her my executrix and my sons John and Nicholas and Martin the chaplain, supervisors. —Proved at St. Mary Magdalen's, Southwark, 25 Feb., 1378–9.

Will of Thomas Burgh, an inmate of St. Thomas the Martyr's Hospital, Southwark, dated on the Tuesday after St. Barnabas, 1379, Englished :—

Imprimis I bequeath my soul to God Omnipotent, the glorious Virgin, and all Saints, and my body to be buried in the Lady chapel within the close of St. Thomas the Martyr's, Southwark. I bequeath two candles to burn about my corpse on the day of my burial, each to be of eight pounds weight, and no other charges (custagia). I bequeath to the master of the hospital, 13*s.* 4*d.*; to each brother, 6*s.* 8*d.*; to each sister, 6*s.* 8*d.*; to my servant Thomas, my red cloak; to my daughter Agnes, my diamond ring and mazer after the death of her mother Isabel. I will that all my lands and tenements, rents and services at Billingsgate in the parish of St. Mary-at-Hill, which I and my wife Isabel hold to me and my heirs, shall go after my death and her's to my daughter Agnes and her issue lawfully begotten, and if she die without such issue, my will is that my wife and Hugh Causton shall dispose thereof in masses for my soul, and the souls of my parents and friends, in the said chapel, in such manner as they may agree with the prior and brethren; and if they cannot agree, then in such manner and place as the said Isabel and Hugh may determine. The residue after payment of my debts I give to my said wife, and I appoint her and Hugh Causton my executors.

The testator died in the hospital, and his will was proved before the bishop, at Southwark, 22 July, 1379.

[177 b.] Appointment of sequestrators: John, r. of Chilbolton, for deaneries of Winchester, Sombourn, Andover, Basingstoke, and Alresford; Robert, r. of Clanfield, for deaneries of Droxford, Isle of Wight, Southampton, Ford, and Alton.—Southwark, 17 Aug., 1379.

License of non residence for one year granted to ds. John, r. of la Wee (Weyhill, vol. i, p. 220), with usual clauses.—*Ib.*, 1 Sept.

Return by the official of the archdeacon to commission requiring him to take measures for the purgation of William Halpennyman, of Boarhunt, a clerk incarcerate on the charge of stealing on the Monday before St. Lucy, 40 Ed. III, two oxen, value 5*s.*, from Simon atte Mede, and two other oxen of the same value from John Mullebrugge of Southwick:—

Cuius auctoritate mandati per viros fidedignos juratos huius rei noticiam meliùs optinentes, hos videlicet, Valentinum atte Mede, Willelmum atte Halle, Willelmum Clement, Jacobum Tayllour, Walterum Knyght, Thomam Hystfelde, Johannem atte Hulle, Andream Hurt, Nicholaum Waythe, Rogerum Tayllour, Johannem Bouchere, Nicholaum Grym, Ricardum Prat, apud Suthwyke diligenciùs inquisivi, per quos inveni, quod infamia supradicta tempore liberacionis eiusdem, ante et citra hucusque valde gravis fuerat et non levis, et nunc est, et ortum habuit ex factis eius propriis et viris pluribus fidedignis et non emulis supradicti Willelmi; ideo mandatum vestrum reverendum non sum ulteriùs executus.—Southwark, 8 June.

Circular accompanying a letter from the primate, reciting a bull of Urban VI, dated viij Id. Nov. in the first year of his pontificate, denouncing excommunication against Robert of Geneva and his adherents:—

[180 a.] Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis, priori ecclesie nostre Cathedralis Wynton., archidiaconis nostris Wynton. et Surr., abbati monasterii de Hydâ, necnon omnibus et singulis abbatibus, prioribus, exemptis et non exemptis, fratrum minorum gardianis, et ministris fratrum predicatorum ac fratrum heremitarum, ordinis S. Augustini et de Monte Carmelo, prioribus, decanis, rectoribus, et vicariis ac capellanis parochialibus per nostras

civitatem et diocesim constitutas, salutem et mandatis nostris, ymo veriùs apostolicis, firmiter obedire.

Literas reverendi in Christo patris et domini, domini Willelmi, Dei graciâ episcopi Londoniensis, presentibus annexas nuper recepimus, quas quidem literas, ut vobis evidenciùs appareant et contenta in eisdem ad vestram noticiam pleniùs deducantur, presentibus duximus annectendas.

Vobis igitur omnibus et singulis auctoritate apostolicâ, quâ fungimur in hâc parte, et sub penis in dictis literis contentis firmiter injungendo mandamus, quatenus ipsas literas et contenta in eisdem juxta ipsarum exigenciam et tenorem diebus et locis in eisdem literis designatis, prout ad vos et singulos vestrûm attinet, execucioni debite demandetis, sic et taliter, quod propter defectum execucionis debite premissorum vobis aut vestrûm alicui dampnum (quod absit) in futurum non immineat aut jactura.

Vobis insuper sub penis premissis firmiter injungendo mandamus, quatenus prefatas literas, retentâ vobis copiâ, sanas et integras ad nos celeriter remittatis.—*Ib.*, 23 May, 1379.

[**180 b.**] Archbishop Sudbury's Constitution, regulating the fees to be taken for masses for the dead :—

Simon, permissione divinâ, etc., venerabili fratri nostro Willelmo, Dei graciâ episcopo Londoniensi, salutem et fraternam in Domino caritatem. Effrenata generis humani cupiditas, cuius conatus, nisi justicia suâ virtute reprimeret, ita ex sibi innatis maliciâ excresceret, quod caritas extra mundi terminos exularet. Sanè comunis ad nos querela perduxit et magistra rerum experiencia manifestat, quod moderni temporis sacerdotes nostrarum civitatis et diocesis ac provincie Cantuariensis adeo cupiditatis vicia infecerunt, quod stipendiis racionabilibus non contenti, pro labore salaria vendicant et recipiunt plurium excessiva, sacerdotesque predicti sic cupidi et delicati, salariis excessivis huiusmodi sarcinati, enormiter indomiti delirant et deficiunt, ac eorum nonnulli, post ventris ingluviem et varias carnis illecebras, spumant in libidinem, et tandem in malorum voraginem funditùs demerguntur, in virorum ecclesiasticorum detestabile scandalum, et exemplum perniciosum laicorum.

Et quamquam bone memorie ds. Simon de Islepe, dudum Cantuariensis archiepiscopus, predecessor noster, dum in humanis agebat, de fratrum suorum assensu et consilio statuit et ordinavit, quod capellani annalia celebrantes, et ceteri animarum cure intendentes, quinque marcas, ecclesiis verò seu capellis parochialibus et cure eisdem inventi officiantes, sex marcas, pro suis stipendiis annuis deberent contentari, in sacerdotes non parentes statuto huiusmodi penam suspensionis ab officio ipso facto imponendo; nos tamen temporum qualitate attentâ, de fratrum et suffraganeorum nostrorum XVJ^to^ die mensis Novembris anno domini MCCCLXXVIIJ in quâdam camerâ infra scepta monasterii apostolorum Petri et Pauli Gloucestrie Wygorniensis propter hoc insimul congregatorum consilio et assensu super salariis sacerdotum parochialium et annalium in dictis nostris civitate, diocesi, et provinciâ Cantuariensi de ceterò percipiendis, ordinamus et statuimus sub formâ inferiùs nominatâ :—

In Dei nomine, Amen. Nos Simon, etc., de consilio fratrum et suffraganeorum nostrorum statuimus, ut quicunque in nostris civitate, diocesi, seu provinciâ Cantuariensi pro animabus defunctorum annalia celebraturi, septem marcis aut cibariis et tribus marcis, alii autem, qui cure animarum deservient, octo marcis aut cibariis et quatuor marcis sterlingorum annuatim contententur, nullatenus ex pacto ultra id recepturi, nisi aliter loci diocesani cum hiis, qui cure animarum deservient, primitùs decreverint fore faciendum.

Si quis autem clericus contra hanc nostram constitucionem dando seu recipiendo venire presumpserit, excommunicacionis summam incurrat ipso facto, a quâ, nisi per diocesanum loci, in quo deliquerit, non poterit absolvi . . . .—Fulham, 18 Sept., 1379.

[**181 a.**] Mandates directed to the archdeacons for publication of the above constitution.—Highclere, 1 Oct.

[**183 b.**] Certificate of publication.—Winchester, iij Kal. Dec.

[**181 a.**] Grant of dispensation to Thomas Yoncflete, r. of Chiddingfold (vol. i, p. 100), for one year, from the obligation of taking deacon's orders, to study at Oxford.—Southwark, 3 Oct.

Vows of chastity by Isabel Burgh and Isabel Golafre :—

"In ye name of god, fader, and sone, and holy gost Ich,

Isabell Burgh, yt was sumtime Thomas wyf of Burgh,[1] wych yt is god bi-taught helpynge ye grace of god behote conversion of myn maners, and make myn avow to god, and to is swete moder seinte marie, and to alle seintz, in to zoure handes, leve fader in god William, bi ye grace of god bisshope of Wynchestre, yt fro yis day forward J sshal ben chast of myn body and in holy chastete kepe me treweliche and devouteliche alle ye dayes of myn lyf."

"En noun dieu, piere, filz, et seint espirit, jeo, Isabelle Golafre, feme nadgairs mons. Johan Golafre, chivaler, qest a dieu comande, attriant la grace dieu promette conversion de mes moeres, et face non avow a dieu, sa douce miere seinte marie, et as tous seintez en voz manes, mon trescher piere en dieu William, per la grace de dieu euesqe de Wyncestre, qe desorenavant sera chaste de mon corps, et seinte chastete garderay loialement et devoutement tous les iours de ma vie."

Memorandum, quod predicte Isabella Burgh et Isabella Golafre fecerunt professionem suam in formâ predictâ et castitatem voverunt in sacras manus reverendi in Christo patris, etc., infra capellam manerii sui de Suthwerke Wynton. diocesis XVIIJ° die mensis Octobris A.D. MCCCLXXIX.

Mandate directed to the official of the archdeacon of Winchester to admonish non-residents :—

Willelmus, etc. . . . Licet ecclesiarum parochialium, curam animarum per se habencium, rectores et vicarii in suis huiusmodi ecclesiis sive beneficiis residere personaliter teneantur, juxta sacrorum canonum sancciones, famâ tamen publicâ referente, factique permanentis evidenciâ manifestante, necnon per inquisiciones generales et sollempnes, quas in archidiaconatu Wyntoniensi, nostre diocesis, nuper fieri fecimus, ad nostram noticiam noviter est deductum, quod nonnulli ecclesiarum huiusmodi curam animarum per se habencium rectores et vicarii nostre diocesis et archidiaconatûs predictorum, quorum videlicet rectorum et vicariorum nomina in cedulâ presentibus annexâ pleniùs continentur, a suis huiusmodi ecclesiis et beneficiis singillatim in ipsâ cedulâ designatis, per nonnulla tempora se absentârunt per diversas mundi partes miserabiliter evagando,

[1] See p. 304.

et adhuc absque causâ legitimâ quâcunque se absentare illicitè non verentur, nullâ super hoc a nobis licenciâ, aut aliâ legitimâ seu sufficienti dispensacione obtentâ, curam animarum parochianorum suorum et gregis eis commissi, ad quorum refeccionem saltem spiritualem tenentur, dampnabiliter deserunt et negligenter omittunt, unde dissensiones et scandalum oriuntur, divinus cultus minuitur, hospitalitas non servatur, cessat populi devocio, domus et edificia locorum huiusmodi corruunt et vastantur, et dominus ille, qui clavem gerit, extra mansionem vagatur, esurientes anime propter defectum dispensatoris ministeriorum Dei multociens pereunt, et in errores varios perlabuntur ; fitque ut, absente pastore, gregem dominicum violenter invadit et lacerat lupus rapax, in animarum subditorum nostrorum grave periculum, dispendium ecclesiarum non modicum, perniciosum exemplum et scandalum plurimorum.

Animarum igitur saluti subditorum nostrorum, indempnitati eciam ecclesiarum huiusmodi in hiis, prout possumus, ex officii nostri debito prospicere cupientes, vobis in virtute obediencie . . . firmiter injungendo mandamus, quatenus, etc.—Southwark, 4 Nov., 1379.

Summons for prior and chapter of Winchester to convocation. —Southwark, 18 Nov.

Similar mandates were directed to the archdeacons.

[182 a.] License of non residence for three years, to study at Cambridge, granted to m. William Welles, v. of Hambledon, Hants.—*Ib.*, 1 Dec.

Return to archbishop's mandate dated at Lambeth, 3 December, 1379, summoning clergy to meet at St. Paul's on the Saturday next after the Purification, pursuant to following writ :—

Ricardus, etc. Qualiter inimici nostri Francie et alii sibi adherentes inter se alligati et undique hostiliter congregati, regnum nostrum Anglie per terram et per mare sepiùs invaserunt, mala quamplurima et intollerabilia nobis et ligeis nostris inferendo ; et non solum de hoc contenti, dictum regnum nostrum et ecclesiam sanctam, nosque et totam linguam Anglicam subvertere et destruere de die in diem totis viribus se conantur

nisi eorum malicie, adjuvante Deo, fortiùs resistatur, vos non credimus ignorare; unde in salvacionem statûs ecclesie sancte et regni ac populi nostrorum necessariam defensionem sumptus ac census et expensas inestimabiles effundere nos oportet.

Verum quia ad ipsorum onerum et sumptuum supportacionem absque juvamine fidelium nostrorum non sufficimus, sicut scitis; vobis in fide et dileccione, quibus nobis tenemur, rogando mandamus, quatenus tam arduitate negociorum predictorum quam gravibus periculis, que ecclesie et regno predictis oculatâ fide imminere conspicitis, attentis et debitè consideratis, suffraganeos vestros, decanos et priores ecclesiarum cathedralium, abbates et priores, et alios electivos, exemptos et non exemptos, necnon archidiaconos, capitula, conventus, collegia, totumque clerum cuiuslibet diocesis vestre provincie premuniatis ad comparendum coram vobis in ecclesiâ S. Pauli London. vel alibi, prout expedire videritis, ad breviorem diem quem poteritis, more solito convocari faciatis, et eis dictis negociis et periculis ibidem pleniùs expositis et declaratis, ipsos ad subsidium in hoc casu competens et necessarium in supportacionem dictorum onerum et sumptuum nobis concedendum, eò specialiùs et cum efficaciâ, quâ magis sciveritis vel poteritis, tantâ necessitate causante, inducatis, et partes vestras ad hoc effectualiter apponatis, nos in cancellariâ nostrâ de quantitate subsidii illius ac de terminis solucionis eiusdem certificantes.

Et hoc, sicut nos et honorem nostrum ac salvacionem et defensionem ecclesie et regni predictorum diligitis, nullatenus omittatis. Tested at Westminster, 2 Dec., 3 Ric. II.

[182 b.] Deputation of constable of Farnham Castle:—

William, per la suffrance de Dieu evesqe de Wyncestre, a touz ses bien voillantz et a touz ses tenantes qi cestes lettres verront ou orront, saluz en Dieu. Sachez nous avoir fait, ordeine, et establi notre cher et bien ame Robert Chisenhale de Guldeforde conestable de notre chastell de Farnham, a garder, governer, et serveor mesme le chastell oue les manoirs, seigniores, terres, franchizes, libertes, parkes, chaces, et warennes appurtenantes a icell, et auxint a tenir nos courtes et a persuire, chalenger, clamer, et defendre toutes les droitures et fraunchises appendantes et appurtenantes a nous et a notre esglise de

Wyncestre dedeinz sa dite baillie. Et pur ceo nous prions especialement a touz noz amys et bien voillantz et mandons a tous noz tenantz et subgitz, qa dit Robert Chisenhale es choses subditz soient eidantz, conseillantz, entendantz, et respoignantz, en fesant toutes choses qe a son dit office appertient en due manere.

En tesmoignance de quelle chose nous lui avons fait faire cestes noz lettres patentes, sealles de notre sealle, a dureres a notre volunte.

Don a notre manoir de Esshere le noefisme iour de Januer, lan de grace mill. CCCLXXX^{mo}.

[183a.] Robert, r. of Clanfield, appointed sequestrator for archdeaconry of Winchester.—Esher, 7 Jan., 1379–80.

Edward III marks the fiftieth anniversary of his accession by waiving his right to present to benefices the patronage of which devolved on him during the avoidance of any see prior to 15th February, 51 Ed. III[1]:—

Rex omnibus ad quos, etc., salutem. Ad futuram rei memoriam. Regi regum, in cuius manu sunt corda principum, satis placere confidimus, dum amotis litium anfractibus, et jurgiorum resecatis materiis, dissensiones et discordias subditorum reprimimus, eisque quietis et pacis comoda procuramus.

Nuper siquidem, dum sceptri seu regiminis nostri regni Anglie annus completus esset quinquagesimus, per nonnullos fideles et ligeos nostros nedum pro quiete subditis procurandâ, sed pro nostrâ servandâ conscienciâ nobis extitit supplicatum, quatenus aliquas remissiones et gracias subditis nostris ipsius regni dignaremur concedere, per quas, resecatis cecis inquietacionum molestiis, possent iidem subditi futuris temporibus sub votive quietis et pacis securâ tranquillitate letari.

Et dum in premissis faciendis a Dei seminario cogitaremus incipere, nostre subitò occurrebat memorie quamplures dissensiones et lites ex diversis collacionibus, presentacionibus, seu

[1] The right to present to all benefices of the advowson of archbishops and bishops during the vacation of their respective sees is vested in the sovereign as patron paramount. Phillimore, 293.

donacionibus per nos factis de dignitatibus, personatibus, officiis, canonicatibus, et prebendis, ac ecclesiis parochialibus in regaliâ nostrâ racione temporalium archiepiscopatuum, episcopatuum, abbathiarum, prioratuum, et aliorum monasteriorum vacancium in manu nostrâ existencium vacâsse pretensis, quorum vacacio collacionem, presentacionem, seu donacionem nostram huiusmodi aliquociens tempora asseritur processisse longissima, hactenus evenisse.

Volentesque propterea, ut regis pacifici verus filius, qui subditorum pacem semper appetimus, et in ipsorum quiete reverâ quiescimus, premissa subditorum gravamina, saltem quatenus tempora concernunt preterita, radicitùs exstirpare, ex mero motu nostro et graciâ speciali omnes huiusmodi collaciones, presentaciones, seu donaciones, que quintum decimum diem mensis Februarii anno regni nostri Anglie quinquagesimo realiter precesserunt in quorum vigore ad realem assecucionem seu adepcionem possessionis nondum est processum, sive ipsorum beneficiorum possessores ipsa jam pacificè possideant, seu in curiâ nostrâ lis pendeat, de eisdem, tenore presencium, et ex nostrâ certâ scienciâ revocamus, cassamus, irritamus, et annullamus, ac nullius fore decernimus roboris vel momenti:

Nolentes, quod possessores ipsorum beneficiorum occasione collacionum, presentacionum, seu donacionum huiusmodi per nos vel heredes nostros seu quoscunque alios auctoritate nostrâ futuris temporibus occasionentur, graventur, seu aliter quomodolibet molestentur, solempni cum protestacione semper in omnibus repetitâ, quod propter premissa, que hâc vice dumtaxat propter subditorum quietem purè ex regiâ effluunt benevolenciâ, nobis vel heredibus nostris in usu debito regalie nostre, que ad futura tempora nolumus in aliquo derogari, que eciam nec ad consequenciam trahi, nec in visu pacti, convencionis, obligacionis legis, seu constitucionis, a quibusvis personis ecclesiasticis vel secularibus, futuris temporibus deduci patimur quovis modo. Tested at Westminster, 15 Feb., 51 Ed. III.

A similar writ of even date, declaring quod de nullo beneficio cuius vacacio ante quintum decimum diem mensis Februarii anno regni nostri Anglie quinquagesimo, in regalia predicta racione temporalium archiepiscopatuum, episcopatuum, abbathiarum, prioratuum, seu aliorum monasteriorum vacancium in

manu nostrâ existencium, quomodolibet contingebat, deceterò providebimus, etc.

[183 b.] License of non-residence for two years granted to Hugh de Woketone, r. of Long Ditton (vol. i, pp. 81, 107), to study at Oxford.—Southwark, 6 Feb., 1379–80.

Similar license for three years granted to John de Popeltone, v. of Mottisfont (vol. i, p. 47).—*Ib.*, 15 Feb.

Probate of will of Sir John D'Arundell, kt., granted to John Mautravers and John Frome, two of the executors, power to prove being reserved to Robert Rous, Laurence Seibroc, and ds. John Chelrey, the other executors. Present, sir Hugh Segrave, kt., steward of the household, Thomas Catewy,[1] Richard Broun of Harwell, f. John de Eynesham, prior of Hyde, John Difford, r. of Walton, John de Campeden, canon of Southwell, John Aylemere, r. of Buckland, John de Uvedale, lord of Titsey, William de Guldeforde, lord of Ertyngdone, John Romeseye of Worldham, Walter Chippenham, John Joce (Joyce), and William Erchebaud.—*Ib.*, 24 Feb.

[184 a.] Dispensation granted to John Comptone, v. of Godalming (vol. i, p. 147), from the obligation of taking deacon's orders during one year, to study at Oxford.—*Ib.*, 26 Feb.

Appointment (see form, p. 19) of John Bures, canon of Dureford, and vicar of Rogate, as curator of Thomas de Bramptone (vol. i, p. 16), r. of Compton, Surrey.—*Ib.*, 23 Jan.

Absolution granted by the bishop himself at the instance of the abbot of Westminster to John Bougheye, Robert Newetone, John Pynson, Howel Richard, John Aleyn, John Suttone, and John Walleys, from a sentence of excommunication for breach of sanctuary at Westminster Abbey.—*Ib.*, 5 March.

[184 b.] Commission to reconcile the graveyard of Horley:—

Reverendo in Christo patri ac domino, domino Willelmo, Dei graciâ episcopo Nanatensi, Willelmus, etc., salutem et sinceram in Domino caritatem. De vestre sinceritate fidei in Domino confidentes, ad reconciliandum cum officio debito et in formâ ecclesie consuetâ cimeterium ecclesie parochialis de Horle, nostre diocesis, sanguinis effusione pollutum, ceteraque omnia

[1] See p. 103.

facienda et expedienda, que in eâ parte necessaria fuerint seu eciam oportuna, vestre paternitati reverende tenore presencium committimus vices nostras, et liberam hâc vice in Domino concedimus facultatem.—Esher, 7 March.

Abbot of Hyde commissioned to collect in archdeaconry of Winchester, and abbot of Waverley in archdeaconry of Surrey the subsidy granted in convocation on Wednesday, 28 February, on the following scale:—Sixteen pence in the mark on all benefices assessed, and sixteen pence in the mark on two thirds of the estimated annual value of benefices not assessed; also two shillings from advocates, proctors, registrars, and notaries public, not beneficed, and not paying the fifteenth imposed on laymen; by equal portions on Ascension Day and St. John Baptist's Day.—Farnham, 12 March, 1379–80.

[185 a.] Return of collectors' names to Exchequer.—Farnham, 19 April, 1380.

Delegation of episcopal functions for remoter parts of the diocese:—

Reverendo in Christo patri et domino, domino Willelmo, Dei graciâ episcopo Nanatensi, Willelmus, etc., salutem et dileccionis sincere continuum incrementum. Inter alias sollicitudines nostris humeris incumbentes ille censentur meritò preferende, per quas subditorum nostrorum necessitatibus oportuno remedio subvenitur, et animarum salus salubriter procuratur.

Sanè in exterioribus partibus et aliis locis nonnullis nostre diocesis utriusque sexûs habentur habitatores et incole in multitudine copiosâ, quorum aliqui propter locorum distanciam, alii propter inundaciones aquarum continuas, nonnulli eciam propter senectutem, debilitatem, et varias alias infirmitates, ceteri verò propter impotenciam, et alia varia impedimenta a multis jam retroactis temporibus ad nos pro consequendis hiis, que ipsorum conveniunt utilitati, accedere comodè non valebant, sicuti nec valent eciam in presenti, obstantibus impedimentis supradictis, nec nos ad partes ipsas, variis nostre ecclesie Wynton. regisque et regni negociis multipliciter propediti, declinare potuimus nec valemus pro exequendis hiis, que ad nostrum pertinent officium pastorale.

Nostre igitur ad hec debite consideracionis oculos dirigentes, ac prefatis subditis nostris in eâ parte de oportuno subvencionis remedio providere volentes, ad audiendum confessiones in foro anime quorumcunque subditorum nostrorum vobis volencium confiteri, ipsosque a peccatis suis, que vobis confitebuntur, eciam in casibus pontificibus de jure vel consuetudine specialiter reservatis, debitè absolvendum, penitencias quoque salutares eisdem pro commissis suis huiusmodi injungendum, ecclesiisque et cimiteriis nostre diocesis dedicacionis et reconciliacionis munus, quibus convenit, et prout opus fuerit, impendendum, altaria eciam maiora et minora, vestimenta, calices, et alia ornamenta eciam benedicendum, sacramentum confirmacionis, necnon primam tonsuram clericalem pueris et adultis nostre diocesis, dumtamen aliquod canonicum non obsistat, eciam conferendum, procuraciones quoque pro premissis debitas et consuetas petendum et recipiendum, debitoresque procuracionum huiusmodi ad solucionem ipsarum per censuras ecclesiasticas quascunque canonicè compellendum, ceteraque omnia et singula utiliter in partibus exterioribus dicte nostre diocesis faciendum, exercendum, et expediendum, que in premissis et circa ea necessaria fuerint seu eciam oportuna, vestre paternitati reverende, de cuius sinceritate fidei et consciencie puritate plenè confidimus, tenore presencium committimus vices nostras, donec eas ad nos duxerimus revocandas.—*Ib.*, 13 March, 1379–80.

Commission granted to ds. John Garyn, r. of Wherwell (vol. i, p. 109), to compel the parishioners to pay a procuration due for reconciling the graveyard.—*Ib.*, 17 April, 1380.

[**185 b.**] John Lydezerde, pr., r. of Elvetham (vol. i, p. 58), licensed as confessor to prioress and nuns of Wintney.—*Ib.*, 21 April.

Mandate directed to official of archdeacon of Winchester for the vigil or eve of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Sept. 8) to be kept holy, pursuant to bull of Urban VI :—

Urbanus episcopus, servus servorum Dei, venerabilibus fratribus Cantuar. et Ebor. archiepiscopis, eorumque suffraganeis, salutem et apostolicam benediccionem. Dudum pie memorie Gregorius papa XJ, predecessor noster, ad gloriosam virginem

Dei genetricem Mariam gerens eximie devocionis affectum, et proinde advertens, quod sicut nativitas beati Johannis Baptiste, Domini precursoris, cum debitâ jejunii observanciâ celebratur, ita eciam dignum et debitum reputans, ut dicte beate Marie virginis nativitas cum simili observacione a cunctis Christi fidelibus devociùs veneraretur, ad omnipotentis Dei gloriam et jubilacionem, et catholice fidei exaltacionem, et ad exhortacionem devocionis Christi fidelium, auctoritate apostolicâ statuit ac eciam ordinavit ultra vigiliam Assumpcionis predicte gloriose virginis Marie hactenus institutam predictam Nativitatem ipsius gloriose virginis deceterò habere vigiliam, eandemque vigiliam cum debitâ jejunii observanciâ ab eisdem Christi fidelibus perpetuis futuris temporibus devocione, quâ convenit, venerari, prout in eisdem predecessoris inde confectis literis pleniùs continetur.

Nos igitur, qui eciam ad eandem beatam Virginem devocione afficimur singulari, cupientes, quod huiusmodi statutum et ordinacio dicti predecessoris a cunctis fidelibus inviolabiliter observentur, fraternitati vestre per apostolica scripta committimus et mandamus, quatenus vos et vestrûm singuli in vestris civitatibus et diocesibus per vos vel alios statutum et ordinacionem huiusmodi publicetis et per vestros subditos mandetis et faciatis firmiter observari.

Romæ, ap. S. Petrum, xj Kal. Dec., pontificatûs nostri anno secundo.

A similar mandate was directed to the archdeacon of Surrey.

[**195 b.**] Another in similar terms, directed by Simon, bp. of London, on behalf of the primate, to the bp. of Winchester, is dated 20 July, 1382.

[**185 b.**] Mandate directed to archdeacon of Winchester to cause prayers to be said throughout the archdeaconry for the king, the church, and the success of the expedition to France, pursuant to the following circular :—

Simon, divinâ providenciâ Cantuariensis archiepiscopus, etc. . . Supremi prudencia Judicis mirabili potestate acies cunctarum dirigens nacionum, roborans animos, *docens manus ad proelium et digitos electorum ad bellum*, suam omnipotenciam manifestans, quos vult subigere, subigit, et, quibus vult, victoriam impertitur.

Hec siquidem considerantes, et quod plus est, de superne virtutis assistenciâ quam de terrenâ potenciâ confidendum, ac ponderantes eciam, quod dominus noster rex Anglie illustris pro conservacione, tuicione, et defensione regni et ecclesie anglicane ac juris sui regii, que Gallicorum, Scotorum, et aliorum adversariorum et inimicorum suorum pertinacia contra justiciam hostiliter nititur impugnare, ad partes Scotie, Hibernie, et Francie nonnullos proceres, magnates, ac gentes regni sui Anglie direxit, et in brevi diriget profecturos, ut apud Altissimum exercitum Domini, cuius imperio principes dominantur et cuncta queque gubernantur, ipsos proceres, magnates, et gentes in hiis justiciam dicti domini nostri regis prosequentes devotis oracionum suffragiis specialiter commendemus.

Vestre igitur fraternitati committimus et mandamus, quatenus omnibus et singulis nostris fratribus et coepiscopis nostre Cantuariensis ecclesie suffraganeis vice et auctoritate nostrâ, cum eâ celeritate quâ poteritis, vestris literis harum seriem continentibus injungatis, quod ipsorum singuli in ecclesiis suis et aliis ecclesiis et locis insignibus suarum civitatum et diocesium diebus solempnibus et festivis subditos suos clericos et laicos efficaciter moneant et inducant, monerive faciant et induci, quod pro salubri statu dicti domini nostri Regis in tenerâ etate jam constituti et ipsius felici ac regni sui et ecclesie Anglicane gubernacione, et ipsorum procerum, magnatum, et aliorum fidelium dicti regni Anglie prosequencium supradictâ graciosâ expedicione, ac pro tranquillitate et pace ecclesie, regis, et regni Anglie predictorum cum omni cordis humilitate processiones solempnes singulis ebdomadis in quartis et sextis feriis facere non omittant, etc. (grant of forty days' indulgence).—Lambeth, ii Id. Ap., 1380.

[**186 a.**] Probate of will of Thomas Counthasthorpe, r. of Streatham (vol. i, pp. 77, 106), granted to m. Thomas Cranle, the elder.—Southwark, 2 May.

[**186 b.**] Commission to mm. John Blaunchard and John Shyllyngforde to install the prior-elect of Tandridge—ad cognoscendum et procedendum in quodam eleccionis negocio de religioso viro f. Ricardo Frenssh, suppriore prioratûs ecclesie conventualis de Tanrugge, ordinis S. Augustini, nostre diocesis,

per cessionem et dimissionem f. Johannis de Merstham, ultimi prioris eiusdem, factam, et per nos admissam, vacantis facte, dicteque eleccionis circumstancias et merita audiendum et discuciendum, ac ipsum negocium eleccionis huiusmodi, cum suis emergentibus, dependentibus, et connexis, prout canonica dictaverint instituta, fine debito terminandum, ipsamque eleccionem debitè confirmandum, et in casu et eventu, quo dictam eleccionem duxeritis, aut unus vestrûm duxerit, confirmandum, eidem f. Ricardo de dicto prioratu canonicè providendum, ac ipsum in corporalem possessionem dicti prioratûs, juriumque et pertinencium suorum universorum, inducendum et installandum, inducive et installari mandandum, et faciendum juxta formam hactenus in eâ parte usitatam, necnon dicti f. Ricardi obedienciam canonicam nobis in eâ parte debitam in formâ juris recipiendum ab eodem, ceteraque omnia et singula faciendum, exercendum, et expediendum, que in huiusmodi eleccionis negocio necessaria fuerint seu eciam oportuna, vobis . . . . . committimus, etc.—*Ib.*, 8 May, 1380.

Commission granted to master of Trinity Hall, Cambridge, and others, to hear and determine a charge against certain scholars of Mildenhall of abducting one of the friars-preachers at Thetford :—

Willelmus, etc., jurium et privilegium fratrum ordinis predicatorum in Angliâ conservator sub certâ formâ inter alios a sede apostolicâ deputatus, discretis viris mm. Johanni de Derlyngtone, legum doctori, venerabili in Christo patris et domini, domini episcopi Norwycensis officiali, ac Ade de Wykemere, custodi aule Trinitatis Cantabrigg., juris civilis bacallaureo, salutem in omnium Salvatore.

Querelam nuper religiosorum virorum prioris et conventûs ordinis supradicti Thetford, dicte Norwycensis diocesis, gravem recepimus, continentem, quod nonnulli viri, scolares de villâ de Mildenhale, dicte Norwycensis diocesis, quorum nomina ignorantur, quemdam fratrem Willelmum de Pykkeworth, de ordine memorato, violanter a suo socio[1] rapuerunt, et eum a debitâ obedienciâ sui ordinis abduxerunt, ipsumque sic raptum et

[1] "Sociati incedunto"—they shall walk two and two—one of the rules for Winchester scholars in their "Tabula Legum," is doubtless founded on a similar rule of the mendicant orders, who were sent out, like the seventy disciples, two and two (*Luke* x, 1).

abductum detinuerunt et occultârunt, detinent et occultant, temerè et injustè, in suarum grave periculum animarum, totiusque religionis predicte scandalum, prejudiciumque non modicum et jacturam; super quibus iidem prior et conventus sibi petierunt per nos de juris remedio provideri.

Nos igitur, volentes eisdem super hiis impendere justicie complementum, ad inquirendum de nominibus et cognominibus omnium et singulorum huiusmodi scelus committencium ac delinquencium in hâc parte, cognoscendumque et procedendum, statuendum, et diffiniendum in causâ seu causis quam vel quas prefati prior et conventus contra huiusmodi delinquentes in eventum occasione predictâ movere intendunt, ac causam et causas predictas audiendum et fine debito terminandum cum suis emergentibus, dependentibus, incidentibus, et connexis, necnon ad exequendum sentencias vel decreta per nos vel utrumque vestrûm in hâc parte ferenda, vobis communiter et divisim tenore presencium committimus vices nostras, donec eas ad nos duxerimus revocandas.—Highclere, 28 May, 1380.

Privy Seal directed to the bishop to speed payment of the tenth:—

Reverent piere en Dieu. Come selonc ceo que acordez estoit en notre darein parlement eons ordenez denvoier hastivement vers les parties de Bretaigne en un viage affaire en notre service sur lexploit de notre guerre, et especialment pur la salvation de notre royaume, un grant poair de gentz darmes et archiers, de quel viage notre trescher uncle Thomas, conte de Bukyngham, serra chievetein;[1] volons de lavys de notre conseil, et vous prions et chargeons fermement, que tous les deniers à nos duz en votre diocise de Wyncestre de les disme et subside a nous dareinement grantz par le clergie de notre royaume dAngleterre, facez lever et coiller a notre oeps a toute le haste que fasse se purra, siqe tous les deniers avant ditz nous soient prestement et sans defaute paiez à la receyte de notre Eschequer, selonc le porport du dit grant, pur lexploit du viage susdit. Et ceste chose preignetz ensi a cuer, que pur cause de nonpaiement de ditz deniers mesme le viage ne soit targez ne delaiez au damage de nous, et de notre dit royaume, si come vous amez lestat de nous et de vous et aussi de leglise, et de tout notre royaume

[1] *Walsingham* i, 434.

avant dit. Don souz notre prive seal a Westm. le xvj jour de Mai.

[187 a.] Et incontinenti dominus episcopus scripsit per ipsius literas privatas collectoribus subsidii memorati per eum deputatis in archidiaconatibus Wynton. et Surr. pro celeri festinacione solucionis eiusdem.

Mandate directed to abbot of Hyde, reciting another privy seal to like effect :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio abbati monasterii de Hydâ juxta Wynton., collectori subsidii regii in archidiaconatu Wynton. specialiter deputato, s. g. et b. Literas domini nostri regis sub ipsius privato sigillo vij° die instantis mensis Junii recepimus in hec verba :—

Reverent piere eu Dieu, nous vous prions sicome autrefoitz vous avons priez, et vous chargeons tant come plus poons sur la foi et ligeance qe vous nous devez, et sicome nous noz fions de vous qe vous envoiez tantost a ceux, que vous avez deputez coillours en vestre diocise, a lever les disme et subside a nous grantez a notre darein parlement per la clergie de notre royaume et les facez haster le plus q'ils purront en monde queles ditz disme et subside soient levez et aportez a notre eschequer pur le paiement affaire a notre uncle de Bukyngham, et a noz autres foialx, ordenez daler en sa compaignie en le viage affaire devers les parties de France et de Bretaigne; attendu que notre dit uncle ne noz ditz autres foialx ne poent per nulle wie aler avant en dit viage, tanque ils soient serviz de certein paiement que leur faut uncore per mesme le viage, le quel paiement ne leur poet estre fait sanz avoir les deniers prevenantz des disme et subside avantditz.

Don souz notre prive seal a Westm. le primer jour de Juyn.

Quarum auctoritate literarum vobis committimus et mandamus, in virtute sancte obediencie firmiter injungentes, quatenus dictum subsidium vos et archidiaconatum Wynton. concernens a retro existens in presenti juxta literarum predictarum exigenciam et tenorem omni festinacione possibili exigatis, colligatis, et levetis, etc.—*Ib.*, 7 June, 1380.

A similar mandate of even date was directed to the abbot of Waverley.

Mandate to abbot of Quarr for a levy (arraiacio) of clergy in Isle of Wight, dated at Southwark, 18 June, 1380, pursuant to following writ:—

Ricardus, etc., venerabili in Christo patri W., eâdem graciâ episcopo Wyntoniensi, salutem. Quia jam noviter accepimus, quod inimici nostri Francie, et alii sibi adherentes, infra insulam Vectam ad citiùs quo poterunt applicare, et eandem insulam pro viribus, nisi eorum malicie viriliter resistatur, destruere proponunt; vobis mandamus, quod omnes et singulos viros ecclesiasticos eiusdem insule, cuiuscunque statûs seu condicionis fuerint, videlicet quemlibet juxta statum et facultates suas, armis competentibus muniri et armari faciatis, prout ante hec tempora armari et muniri consueverunt, ne, quod absit, ob vestrî defectum periculum aliquod eidem insule per huiusmodi invasionem eveniat quovismodo.

Tested at Westminster, 15 June, 3 Ric. II.

[**187 b.**] License of non-residence for one year granted to Adam Portelewe, r. of Lingfield (vol. i, p. 100), in order to be in attendance on Lord Latymer.—Esher, 28 June, 1380.

Certificate for exonerating churches of Hacche[1] and Yarmouth from the subsidy—quod ecclesie de Hacche et Eremue, nostre diocesis, que dudum parochiales erant et curate, propter carenciam populi, cum vix sit qui inhabitet infra parochias earundem, ad tantam inopiam sunt patenter redacti, quod a multis retroactis temporibus non erant nec inveniuntur aliqui istis temporibus, qui ipsas ecclesias propter exilitatem nimiam earundem volunt aliqualiter occupare.—Southwark, 4 July.

Commission to sequestrate the goods of Thomas, late *capellanus* of Laverstoke, an intestate, granted to ds. Alexander, r. of Dean, 26 July, 1380, and administration two days later to rectors of Dean and Ash.—Highclere, 28 July.

License to let the rectory of Stratfieldsaye to ds. Robert Croucheston, prebendary of Stratford in Sarum cathedral, for one year, granted to m. John Wyltone (vol. i, p. 107).—Same date.

[1] See p. 292.

[188 a.] Administration of the goods of John Cotelonde, of Southwark, an intestate, granted to Maud, his widow, and John de Kerketone, citizen of London.—Southwark, 29 Aug.

Dispensation for m. John Irlande, r. of Limpsfield (vol. i, p. 102), from the obligation of residence during two years, in order to enable him to pursue his studies at Cambridge.—*Ib.*, 31 Aug., 1380.

Similar dispensation for Nicholas Mockynge (vol. i, p. 52), r. of S. Olave's, Southwark, until Easter.—Highclere, 19 Sept.

Presentation of John de Waltone to church of Portland—Brightwell, 28 Oct.

Commission to bp. of London to carry out exchange (vol. i, p. 109) of Ovington.—Blisworth, 9 Nov.

M. John Harold and m. Robert Bradegare, examiners in the archbishop's court, commissioned to hear and determine a cause of divorce promoted by Katherine Botellere against William Hykeman *alias* Uptone.—Northampton, 12 Nov.

[188 a.] Commission to absolve the bailiffs of Shrewsbury and others who had broken and entered the close of the Friars-Minors at Shrewsbury:—

Willelmus, etc., fratrum ordinis minorum provincie Anglicane conservator sub certâ formâ inter alios a sede apostolicâ deputatus, dilectis nobis in Christo abbati Salopie et m. Griffino de Cherletone, canonico Herfordensi, salutem, etc. Ex parte religiosorum virorum gardimani (*sic*) et conventûs fratrum ordinis minorum Salopie nobis extitit intimatum, quod ballivi ville Salopie antedicte, et alii, quorum nomina ignorantur, clausum et loca fratrum predictorum absque voluntate seu licenciâ eorundem temerè intraverunt, ac varias violencias et injurias eisdem et ecclesie sue nequiter intulerunt, maioris excommunicacionis sentenciam in hâc parte dampnabiliter incurrendo.

Subsequenter verò quidam de malefactoribus predictis, spiritu consilii sanioris moti, suffecti rubore verecundie, ad gremium sancte matris ecclesie, ut filii adoptivi, reniti cupientes, a sentenciâ, quam sic, ut premittitur, incurrebant, instanter petierunt se absolvi.

Ad absolvendum igitur nomine nostro in debitâ juris formâ omnes et singulos malefactores predictos ipsorum conscios et fautores, necnon eisdem prebentes consilium, auxilium, vel favorem a dictâ excommunicacionis sentenciâ, quam, ut premittitur, incurrebant occasione vilacionis (*sic*) memorate, ipsisque, et eorum cuilibet, penitencias pro suis huiusmodi commissis salutares injungendo . . . . . vices nostras committimus, etc.—Northampton, 16 Nov., 1380.

[**188 b.**] Mandate from official principal of Canterbury, enjoining the bishop to hear and determine a claim by William Byde, r. of St. Nicholas, Guildford, to the prebend of Bedewynde in Sarum cathedral, then held by Nicholas de Wykeham, canon of Sarum, or to cite Byde to appear before the official principal at St. Mary le Bow. The bishop returns that he assents to the cause being heard in the archbishop's court, and has cited Byde. —Esher, 26 Jan., 1380–1.

Discharge of executors of sir Thomas Cheyne, kt.—Southwark, 30 March, 1381.

[**189 a.**] Dimissory for m. Nicholas de Alresforde to deacon's orders.—Same date.

License of non-residence for one year granted to John Cheyne, r. of Streatham, in order to be in attendance on sir Hugh de Calverley.[1]—Same date.

Memorandum, that on Tuesday, 16 April, 1381, in the chapel at Farnham Castle, John Clere, of Crondall, did homage for lands held of the bishop—homagium suum gratis obtulit atque fecit eidem reverendo patri modo et formâ quibus homagium huiusmodi fieri consuevit (see form, p. 252*n.*)—in the presence of Henry Esturmy, John atte Berwe, Thomas Warblyntone, John Tycheborne, Robert Chesenale of Guildford, Henry Zeuele, William Wyndford, Walter Haywode the younger, William Martyn, John de Ketene, treasurer of Wolvesey, and others.

Probate of will of John Dyschere, of Merwe (Merrow), granted to his brother John and Emma his relict, 17 October,

[1] One of the generals of the expedition of Henry, bp. of Norwich, in 1383.—*Walsingham*, ii, 85.

1381, and they to exhibit an inventory on the 30th of the same month at Esher.

Commission to hear and determine a cause of intrusion promoted against John de Lutone, r. of Compton, Surrey (vol. i, p. 123), *pro salute anime*—quod idem Johannes in dictam ecclesiam absque titulo et auctoritate sufficientibus temerè se intrusit, ac fructus, redditus, et proventus dicte ecclesie percipit, dilapidat, et consumit, ac animas parochianorum dicte ecclesie decipit, in grave periculum anime sue et scandalum plurimorum. —Esher, 20 May, 1381.

Dimissory for John Aleyn, of Stoke near Guildford, *ad omnes minores et eciam sacros ordines.—Ib.*, 6 June.

Probate of will of William Aubrey (vol. i, pp. 38, 122), late r. of Shirbourne St. John, granted to m. John de Bannebury, John atte Beche, v. of Odiham, and Laurence Benett, the executors.—Farnham, 18 Aug.

License of non-residence for three years granted to Richard Aumbresdene, r. of Stoke d'Abernon (vol. i, p. 78), in order to be in attendance on lady de Mohun.—*Ib.*, 20 Aug.

Dispensation for Thomas Ballard,[1] r. of Shirbourne St. John, from the obligation of proceeding to deacon's orders for two years, to study.—*Ib.*, 1 Sept.

Letter from prior of Canterbury, touching the murder of archbishop Sudbury[2]:—

Venerabili in Christo fratri ac domino, domino Willelmo, Dei graciâ Londoniensi episcopo, Johannes, permissione divinâ priori ecclesie Christi Cantuariensis, et eiusdem loci capitulum, sede vacante, omnimodam reverenciam cum honore. Paternitatis vestre noticiam latere non credimus, cum factum notorium existat, quod dolentissimè referimus, quo pallida facta est sancte matris ecclesie facies pro dolore, qualiter quidam malediccionis alumpni, virus imbuti nequiciâ et furoris spiritu concitati, Deo nec ecclesie aut sancte archiepiscopatûs dignitati, qua fides ortodoxa cultu laciori discenditur, aliqualiter deferentes, palacium

[1] Otherwise Silvestre (see vol. i, pp. 122, 177).

[2] *Walsingham*, i, 460.

archiepiscopale Cantuariense ac nonnulla maneria archiepiscopatûs Cantuariensis et ad archiepiscopum Cantuariensem, qui est pro tempore, notoriè spectancia, preter et contra voluntatem bone memorie Simonis de Sudburiâ, ultimi archiepiscopi Cantuariensis dum vixit, jam defuncti, et ministrorum suorum in eisdem existencium, ac deputatorum ad custodiam eorundem, violenter intrârunt, ac vinum dicti archiepiscopi in doleis in prefato palacio et maneriis existentibus consumpserunt et nequiter effuderunt, bonaque nonnulla eiusdem archiepiscopi in eisdem tunc existencia rapuerunt et abstulerunt, ac nonnulla mala et dampna eidem palacio et maneriis multipliciter intulerunt, carceremque archiepiscopalem in villâ de Maydestone, Cantuariensis diocesis, situatum fregerunt, et carceratos in eodem ceperunt et abire compellebant, necnon chaceam archiepiscopalem vulgariter nominatam *le Bruyll*, Cicestrensis diocesis, et parcos eiusdem archiepiscopi adjacentes eidem fregerunt et feras bestias in eisdem existentes ceperunt, fugârunt et penitus quasi interfecerunt.

Et hiis maleficiis non contenti, set eorum dampnacioni reprobè dediti, in ipsum reverendum in Christo patrem, etc., honorabile membrum ecclesie, et columpnam ac patrem eorum specialem et pugilem Crucifixi,[1] in Turri Londoniensi tunc personaliter existentem, manu hostili irruerunt, ac ipsum inhumaniter pertractârunt, verberârunt, vulnerârunt, ac perditorem regni Anglie ipsum fuisse et esse publicè voce furibundâ et instantissimâ dixerunt, et demum eum extra dictam Turrim duxerunt, ac prope ipsam Turrim eundem crudelissimè decapitârunt, capud quoque eiusdem super unam hastam per vicos et plateas civitatis Londoniensis publicè deferendo et clamando *Hic est capud proditoris*, ac capellum episcopale cum uno clavo, quod terribile est dictu, eidem capiti per cerebri medium affixerunt, et dictum capud honorabile in signum perdicionis super pontem Londoniensem dampnabiliter posuerunt; quos omnes et singulos scelera huiusmodi malefica aut eorum aliquod tam crudeliter committentes, ac eisdem prebentes in premissis, aut ipsorum aliquo, consilium, auxilium, vel favorem publicè vel occultè varias maiorum excommunicacionum sentencias a sanctis patribus rite latas non ambigitur ipso facto dampnabiliter incurrisse.

Cumque premissa adeo sint notoria, publica, et famosa, quod nullâ poterint tergiversacione celari, et debita execucio super

[1] Champion of Him Crucified.

tantâ acerbitate delicti jam diu est commissi, quatenus forum concernunt ecclesiasticum per nos apposita non extitit, ut deberet, ac considerantes illud abhominabile flagicium in totius cleri et universalis ecclesie libertatis dispendium redundare, volentes quod, premissa sicut ad nos notoriè pertinet vindicare gladio spirituali, paternitati vestro reverende committimus et mandamus, etc. (excommunication denounced in common form). —London, 16 Sept., 1381.

[189 b.] A preacher's license :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio f. Johanni Borard, canonico Christi ecclesie de Twynham, nostre diocesis, sacre theologie professori, s. g. et b. Intencionem tuam laudabilem, quam ad animarum salutem jugiter procurandum per predicacionem assiduam verbi Dei habere dinosceris, dignis in Domino laudibus commendantes, ut in singulis ecclesiis ac locis aliis ad hoc congruis et honestis per nostram diocesim constitutis publicè predicare valeas verbum Dei ad informacionem rudium et imbecillium confirmacionem eciam provectorum, provisò quod ad ea, per que scandala in clero aut populo quomodolibet oriri poterunt, laxes nullatenus linguam tuam, set ab hiis omninò te abstineas debitè, prout decet, super quo tuam insuper conscienciam in districto Dei judicio artiùs oneramus, liberam tibi tenore presencium concedimus facultatem et licenciam specialem.

Hiis quoque, qui predicacioni tue interfuerint, volentes per hoc te favore prosequi gracioso de peccatis suis verè contritis eciam et confessis indulgencias concedimus in talibus consuetas, omnibus et singulis ecclesiarum rectoribus et vicariis ac capellanis parochiarum civitatis et diocesis in virtute obediencie firmiter injungendo mandantes, quatenus cum accesseris ad eosdem ad premissa debitè te admittant tibi in eisdem humiliter intendentes temporibus oportunis.—Date wanting.

[190 a.] Dimissory for Edward de Chudham, of Southwick, acolyth, *ad omnes.*—Downton, 22 Sept.

Commission to John de Lydeforde, canon of Oxford, Richard de Suttone, r. of Dean, and John de Campeden, canon of Southwell, to visit the priory of St. Denys, and the church or precentory of St. Mary, Southampton, on Saturday next after Michaelmas Day.—Highclere, 27 Sept.

Mandate to prior of Newark to impose penance on f. John Chaddesley, for adultery and other crimes, part of the penance to be seclusion—quatenus . . . septa claustri et ecclesie prioratûs vestri predicti deceterò exeat nec cum aliquo seculari colloquium habeat deceterò quovismodo, necessitatis causâ dumtaxat exemptâ.—Esher, 20 October, 1381.

Certificate for writs *de excommunicato capiendo* to issue against a number of beneficed men for non payment of the last tenth.—Southwark, 18 November.

Dispensation for three years from the obligation of residence granted to Walter Phelipe, r. of Abbots Ann (vol. i, p. 123), to study.—Same date.

[**190 b.**] Vicar of Woking admonished to provide for divine service in Pirford chapel (vol. i, p. 117):—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio, perpetuo vicario ecclesie parochialis de Wockynge, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Nuper, videlicet XIX^no^ die mensis Octobris ultimò jam elapsi, in prioratu de Novo Loco, nostre diocesis, in nostrâ et aliorum quamplurium fidedignorum presenciâ, tu personaliter constitutus palam, publicè, atque sponte, ac ex certâ tuâ scienciâ recognoveras, affirmâsti, et eciam fatebaris, quod fructus, redditus, et proventus vicarie predicte ac porcio eiusdem tibi et vicariis ibidem preteritis et futuris canonicè assignata valebant eciam annuatim et valent modernis temporibus singulis oneribus vicarie predicte incumbentibus debitè supportare, ac valere solebant et solent, annis singulis, viginti libras sterlingorum, ac pro tantâ pecunie summâ fructus, et proventus predictos potuisti, sicut jam potes, ad firmam singulis annis dimisisse.

Et licet ipsa porcio vicarie predicte ad subeundum debitè onera eidem incumbencia sufficiens et congrua jam existat; tu tamen, prout ex famâ vulgari ac relacione didicimus fidedignâ, unum capellanum in capellâ de Pireforde, a prefatâ ecclesiâ de Wockynge dependente, divina officia celebraturum, parochianisque inhabitantibus ipsam hamelettam de Pireforde sacramenta ecclesiastica ministraturum tuis sumptibus et expensis, cuius quidem capellani onus invencionis ad te et vicariam tuam predictam vigore cuiusdam composicionis in hâc parte facte pertinet

et incumbit, absque causâ racionabili seu legitimâ quâcunque diutinè subtraxisti et subtrahis eciam in presenti nequiter et injustè, in tui et parochianorum dictorum grave periculum animarum. Indempnitati siquidem vestrorum parochianorum et subditorum nostrorum in hiis prospicere et animarum periculis occurrere cupientes, tenore presencium primò, secundò, ac terciò peremptoriè te monemus, tibique in virtute obediencie et sub penâ sequestracionis fructuum et proventuum predictorum firmiter injungendo monemus, quatenus prefate capelle de Pirforde et parochianis predictis in divinis sacramentisque ecclesiasticis debitè ministrandum juxta vim, formam, et effectum composicionis predicte per capellanum idoneum facias ex nunc congruè deserviri, alioquin contra te occasione premissâ, quantum de jure poterimus, legitimè procedemus.—*Ib.*, 22 Nov., 1381.

M. John Bukyngham, John Lydeforde, the official, and others, commissioned to continue a visitation of Chertsey abbey, which the bishop had adjourned till the following Wednesday.—Esher, 29 October.

Note, that on that day the official attended and closed the visitation.

Resignation by Nicholas de Wykeham (vol. i, p. 46), of the archdeaconry of Winchester.—Southwark, 29 November.

Dimissory for Ralph Style, a scholar of the diocese, *ad omnes.* —*Ib.*, 21 January, 1381–2.

[191 a.] Covenants for further assurance on an exchange of lands between the bishop and John Burle of Pagham, Sussex. The latter juravit ad sancta Dei evangelia per ipsum corporaliter tacta quod ipse Johannes citra festum pasche tunc proximò futurum, vel intra ipsum festum Pasche et festum Pentecostes proximò secuturum, cum per Thomam Warenner esset congruè premunitus, accederet personaliter ad reverendum patrem, etc., et de terris, tenementis, redditibus, et aliis, que idem pater in parochiâ de Moene, Wyntoniensis diocesis, adquisivit de Johanne Burle predicto, tantam ac talem securitatem faceret, sicut dictus reverendus pater per ipsius consilium vellet ordinari. Et econverso dictus reverendus pater dicto Johanni Burle promisit bonâ fide se illam securitatem facturum pro terris et aliis que dictus

Johannes per ipsius consilium vellet eciam ordinari.—Southwark, 24 January, 1381–2.

Will of sir John Scures, kt.,[1] Englished :—

Imprimis I bequeath my soul to God, and my body to be buried in the church of St. Nicholas, Wickham. I bequeath for three priests to say masses for my soul during one whole year, £20; for the gathering (convocacio) of my friends on the day of my burial £20; for a window on the south side of the said church, 100*s.*; for a tomb (una tumba) where I am buried in the said church, 10 marks; to be distributed amongst the poor on the day of my burial, 100*s.*; for a trental for my soul, to be celebrated in divers places, 75*s.*; to Richard Stake, my servant, 45*s.*; to John Cook, my house-steward (dispensator), 26*s.* 8*d.*; to Henry, my chaplain, 20*s.*; to John Frie, my servant, 40*s.*; to Michael King, 13*s.* 4*d.*; to William atte Kychene, my cook, 20*s.*; to Richard Prat, 10*s.*; to John Bakere, 10*s.*; to Thomas James, Henry atte Court, and John Scrifkyng, each 40*s.*; to Alice Lommour, 40*s.*; to her children, 7 marks; to John Wythynge, 20*s.*; to John Jon, 100*s.*; to William Blaunforde, 40*s.*; to Edward Mortone, canon of Southwick, 40*s.*; to be distributed amongst my poor bond-tenants (nativos) at Wickham and Widley, 40*s.*; and to John Couk, my secretary (clericus), 100*s.* To my sister Sibil the bedstead in my chamber, with the sheets, napkins, and towels; and to John Uvedale a silver cup, mounted (hernesiatum). Residue to be disposed of by executors for the good of my soul at their discretion. Also to repair fabric of Widley church, 40*s.*; and to Thomas Glamorgan, 20*s.* Executors, his sister Sibil,[2] John Uvedale, John Newe, and John Couke, his secretary.

Dated at Bedhampton, 1 November, 1381, and proved on the 23rd of same month before the bishop at Southwark.

[**191 b.**] Foundation by John Newdigate and Laurencia atte Wode, of a chantry in Newark priory :—

[1] Son of sir John Scures, kt., lord of Wickham, who is said to have sent the bishop to school at Winchester; the John Scures for whose soul masses were ordered to be said by the statutes of both the bishop's colleges.

[2] Heiress of the testator. Married in 1381 John Uvedale, of Titsey, Surrey, sheriff of Hants, 1388—1399, and had by him a daughter, Alice, who in 1396 married William Wykeham, the bishop's great-nephew.

Sancte Catholice matris ecclesie filiis presentes literas inspecturis Johannes Nudegate, filius et heres Willelmi Nudegate, et Laurencia, que fui uxor Petri atte Wode, salutem in omnium vero Salvatore. Cum predicti Petrus, Willelmus, Willelmus Tauk, et Robertus filius eiusdem Laurencie jam defuncti, et ego dicta Laurencia nuper adquisivimus sumptibus et expensis predicti Petri sex libratas et quatuordecim solidatas annui redditûs de priore et conventu de Stoke ex assensu abbatis et conventûs de Bekeo in Normanniâ, quem quidem redditum iidem prior et conventus de Stoke percipere solebant de priore et conventu de Novo Loco, ordinis S. Augustini, Wynton. diocesis, habendum nobis et heredibus eorundem Petri Willelmi et Willelmi imperpetuum; cuius quidem redditûs reversio post mortem predicte Laurencie michi prefato Johanni spectat, ut filio et heredi predicti Willelmi Nudegate, eò quod idem Willelmus Nudegate sepedictos Petrum et Willelmum Tauk supervixit:

Et quia dictus Petrus piè desiderans (dum vixit) quandam cantariam perpetuam unius canonici sacerdotis in prioratu de Novo Loco erigere et stabilire pro salubri statu domini nostri regis Anglie et venerabilis patris Willelmi de Wykeham, Wyntoniensis episcopi, et ipsorum Petri et Laurencie, dum vixerunt, necnon pro animabus parentum et benefactorum ipsorum Petri et Laurencie qui adtunc ab hâc luce migraverunt, et pro animabus dictorum regis, episcopi, Petri, et Laurencie cum ex hoc mundo migraverunt perpetuò celebraturi, dictumque annuum redditum ad sustentacionem cantarie antedicte impendere destinavit similiter et proposuit, et quia dictus Petrus antequam propositum suum supradictum realiter valeret adimplere morte extitit preventus:

Nos antedicti Johannes et Laurencia, piam intencionem dicti Petri supradictam effectum sortiri affectantes, ad honorem Dei et sue genetricis virginis Marie, ut huiusmodi cantaria pro salubri statu dictorum regis et episcopi, dum vivunt, necnon pro animabus predicti Petri et ceteris supradictis, et animabus omnium fidelium defunctorum, ac animabus dictorum regis et episcopi, et mei prefate Laurencie, cum ab hâc vitâ migraverimus, in dicto prioratu de Novo Loco modo et formâ infrascriptis perpetuò habeatur, ad sustentacionem eiusdem cantarie assig-

namus, concedimus, et relaxamus predictis priori et conventui de Novo Loco, et eorum successoribus, dictas sex libratas et quatuordecim solidatas annui redditûs imperpetuò.

Ita quod nec nos dicti Johannes et Laurencia, nec heredes mei predicti Johannis, quicquid juris vel clamei deceterò exigere vel vendicare poterimus in eisdem, set in usus infrascriptos pro dicte cantarie sustentacione convertantur.

Imprimis igitur de consensu, voluntate, et assensu expressis prefati venerabilis patris, patroni dicti prioratûs de Novo Loco, ac dictorum prioris et conventus eiusdem loci volumus et ordinamus, quod die Sabbati cuiuslibet septimane futurâ post mortem mei, predicte Laurencie, unus canonicus dicte domûs, in ordine sacerdotali constitutus, valens et dispositus ad celebrandum, ordinetur et intitletur in tabulâ ebdomadali canonicorum [1] dicti prioratûs ad celebrandum missam predictam cotidie per septimanam illam, ad quam intitlatus fuerit in hâc parte, et celebrabit idem capellanus illam missam in altari beate Marie in ecclesiâ prioratûs predicti pro vivis et mortuis superiùs designatis, et in missâ suâ dicat specialem collectam que incipit, *Omnipotens sempiterne Deus, qui vivorum dominaris.*[2]

Volumus insuper et ordinamus, quod incontinenti post mortem mei predicte Laurencie faciant dicti prior et conventus pro dictis vivis et defunctis inveniri sumptibus suis propriis omnia necessaria pro missis huiusmodi celebrandis, videlicet vestimenta, ornamenta, librum, lumen, panem, vinum, et calicem, superaltare et manutergium, cum toto apparatu alio necessario, ac unum clericum idoneum adjuvandum capellanum celebrantem missam predictam in officio eodem, et cetera omnia que ad huiusmodi officium fuerunt oportuna.

Et volumus eciam, quod quilibet canonicus ad celebrandum huiusmodi missas per ebdomadam intitlatus, dumtamen eas fideliter celebret, vel si legitimè impeditus fuerit, eas faciat celebrari, in recompensacionem et remuneracionem huiusmodi laboris sui habeat singulis septimanis imperpetuum septem

[1] See note p. 277.

[2] Omnipotens sempiterne Deus, qui vivorum dominaris simul et mortuorum, omniumque misereris, quos tuos fide et opere futuros esse prenoscis: te supplices exoramus, ut pro quibus effundere preces decrevimus, quosque vel presens seculum adhuc in carne retinet, vel futurum jam exutos corpore suscepit, intercedentibus omnibus sanctis tuis, pietatis tue clementiâ, omnium delictorum suorum veniam consequantur. Per Dominum.

denarios sterlingorum de predicto redditu occasione huiusmodi cantarie dictis priori et conventui superiùs assignato, ipsis canonicis celebrantibus, per manus prioris aut alterius per eundem deputandi singulis ebdomadis fideliter persolvendos.

Et si contingat, quod idem canonicus capellanus sic intitlatus fingat se infirmum, cum non fuerit, ut sic a celebracione cesset, et super hoc in capitulo convictus fuerit, super quo per presidentem eiusdem capituli inquiri volumus diligenter, tunc presidens capituli faciet ipsum pro singulis missis sic subtractis uno die, videlicet proximâ quartâ, sextâ, vel sabbato, feriis in pane et aquâ fideliter jejunare, quod jejunium canonicus sic deficiens vigore huiusmodi ordinacionis humiliter perficere teneatur. Sin autem justè in hâc parte se excusaverit, huiusmodi canonicus ad celebrandum intitlatus penâ cessacionis celebracionis huiusmodi pro illâ vice cessabit quo ad illum.

Volumus nichilominus et ordinamus, quod si per infirmitatem canonici capellani huiusmodi vel aliâ justâ causâ et necessariâ [192 a] non fictâ aliquo tempore superiùs limitato a dictâ celebracione cessatum fuerit, pro huiusmodi cessacione vel defectu unum alium canonicum capellanum in loco illo ubi huiusmodi defectus contigerit inveniri, et defectum huiusmodi in celebrando sic plenariè suplere teneatur canonicus sic deficiens aut infirmus; vel si alium canonicum aut alium capellanum non invenerit, vel repperire non poterit, qui vice suâ celebrare voluerit, volumus et ordinamus, quod idem canonicus sic, ut premittitur, ad celebrandum intitlatus et deficiens, pro quâlibet missâ sic substitutâ, illis eisdem diebus quibus defecerit, duos denarios pauperibus pro animabus predictis erogari fideliter teneatur et debeat tociens, quociens fieri hoc contingit.

Et ut specialior memoria dictarum animarum inter ipsos priorem et conventum de Novo Loco imposterum habeatur, volumus et ordinamus, quod quolibet anno semel faciant idem prior et conventus solempne anniversarium et commemoracionem pro animabus predictis cum Exequiis mortuorum, Placebo, et Dirige in festo S. Scolastice virginis (10 February) in ecclesiâ prioratûs predicti et in crastino ibidem unam missam pro animabus dictis et animabus omnium fidelium defunctorum de Requiem faciant eciam solempniter celebrari.

Et si numerus canonicorum per pestilenciam vel alio modo

forsan defecerit in domo predictâ, adeo quod non poterunt habere canonicum ad cantariam predictam celebrandum sufficientem, tunc unum capellanum secularem missas durante defectu predicto loco canonici huiusmodi deficientis in formâ predictâ in dicto prioratu celebraturum teneantur et debeant invenire.

Et si capellanum secularem ad hoc idoneum invenire forsan non poterunt, tunc teneantur iidem prior et conventus de Novo Loco quâlibet die defectûs huiusmodi capellani contingentis distribuere ad portam prioratûs predicti pauperibus venientibus et elemosinam petentibus vel aliis pauperibus et egenis, si nulli ad portam veniant petituri, racione cuiuslibet misse sic non celebrate, tres denarios sterlingorum ad orandum specialiter pro salubri statu dicti domini regis, episcopi, et aliorum vivorum predictorum ac animabus mortuorum huiusmodi et animabus omnium fidelium defunctorum.

Volumus eciam et ordinamus, quod prior de Novo Loco, qui nunc est, et quilibet ibidem de novo creandus seu preficiendus, statim post confirmacionem suam coram domino episcopo, qui pro tempore fuerit, qui ipsum confirmaverit, vel alio ipsum confirmante, ac omnes alii et singuli canonici professi dicti prioratûs coram priore in capitulo statim post confirmacionem suam, coram priore in capitulo, statim post ipsius prioris confirmacionem et installacionem, tactis per eos sacrosanctis Dei evangeliis, corporale prestent singillatim juramentum, quantum quod in eis fuerit, procurabunt efficaciter, et jurabunt, quod dictâ cantariâ anniversarium et exequie juxta formam et modum presentis ordinacionis nostre imperpetuum debitè et fideliter celebrentur, nec permittent, quantum in eis fuerit, dictam cantariam cessare, deficere, adnullari, aliterve cassari, quod fideliter consulent, procurabunt, et jurabunt, quod dicta cantaria celebretur, manuteneatur, et sustentetur sub formâ superiùs annotatâ.

Item volumus et ordinamus, quod presens ordinacio nostra et singula contenta semel in adventu Domini et semel in quadragesimâ coram dictis priore et conventu in domo suâ capitulari perlegi faciant publicè et distinctè quolibet anno perpetuis temporibus infuturum, et in suo martirilogio nomina dictorum vivorum et mortuorum procurent et faciant inseri et conscribi, ne canonici ipsius loci presentes aut futuri huiusmodi ordinacionis nostre ignoranciam valeant racionabiliter allegare.

Volumus insuper et ordinamus, quod annis singulis imperpetuum die anniversarii, ut premittitur, celebrando, de redditu predicto pro huiusmodi cantariâ assignato percipiat et habeat prior dicti loci quatuordecim denarios sterlingorum et quilibet canonicus sacerdos illius loci percipiat eciam per manus prioris sui vel alteriùs per eum deputandi septem denarios sterlingorum pro habendâ retenciore memoriâ animarum predictarum in relevamen laborum ipsorum in usum unius pietancie[1] committendos.

Et nos predicti prior et conventus de Novo Loco ex unanimi et spontaneo nostro consensu pariter et assensu pro nobis et successoribus, prioratu quoque et conventuali ecclesiâ nostrâ predictis, promittimus et solempniter profitemur, volumus, et concedimus expressè omnia onera, ordinaciones, et sustentaciones dicte cantarie in formâ superiùs expressatâ nos et successores nostros communiter et divisim contingencia qualitercunque seu concernencia realiter et cum effectu agnoscere, subire et supportare, ac fideliter perficere et implere in omnibus suis articulis; ad que omnia et singula perficienda et implenda firmiter obligamus nos, successores nostros, ecclesiam, et prioratum nostros predictos ac terras, tenementa, bonaque alia nostra districcioni et cohercioni cuiuscunque judicis nostri, ecclesiastici vel secularis. Ad hec volumus, concedimus, statuimus, et ordinamus, quod quicunque in priorem dicti prioratûs nostri imposterum eligendus et electus, infra tres dies post eius confirmacionem, coram loci diocesano, aut alio ipsius patris nomine, eleccionem huiusmodi confirmante, prestet corporale juramentum, quod dictam ordinacionem super cantariâ predictâ celebrandâ et omnibus aliis articulis supradictis procurabit et faciet in omnibus observari, fieri, et efficaciter adimpleri.

Et si contingat, quod absit, dictam cantariam absque legitimo impedimento per diem aut dies cessare et pecuniam causâ huiusmodi cessacionis juxta formam dicte ordinacionis erogatam non esse, prior et conventus dicti prioratus nostri pro quâlibet die cessacionis cantarie predicte duos solidos sterlingorum domino Wyntoniensi episcopo, qui pro tempore fuerit, solvere effectualiter teneantur, elemosine dicti domini episcopi applicandos.

[1] "Pittance," or extra dish at dinner in the refectory.

Volumus insuper et concedimus, quod quilibet prior prioratûs predicti qui pro tempore erit, post confirmacionem et installacionem de ipso factas, infra sex dies extunc continuè sequentes faciat omnes et singulos canonicos eiusdem conventûs in domo capitulari eiusdem conventûs singulosque singillatim sacramentum corporale prestare, videlicet quod eorum quilibet consulet, jurabit, et procurabit, quatenus poterit et in eo fuerit, quod dicta cantaria debitè, fideliter, et continuè in formâ ordinacionis predicte celebrabitur, et quod non permittet nec consenciet, quantum in eo est aut erit, ipsam cantariam desinere, deperire, vel cessare quomodolibet in futurum, contra formam ordinacionis predicte.

The remaining clauses are to the following effect :—

The prior shall compel the canons to take the abovementioned oath under pain of ecclesiastical censure. If the prior himself shall not take the oath within three days after confirmation, or impose it on the canons after his installation, he shall forfeit 2*s.* for every day of default to the bishop. If the bishop or his official or vicar-general, or the guardian of the spirituals when the see is vacant, shall at any visitation detect any disorder contrary to the tenor of this ordination, the prior and subprior shall have liberty to be heard thereon, with an opportunity of purgation by the oath of six credible persons (purgacionem cum sextâ manu virorum fidedignorum).—Dated 20 November, 1382.

[194 a.] Ds. John Staunforde, a canon of St. Denys, appointed coadjutor to the prior, whom he afterwards succeeded (vol. i, p. 177).—Wolvesey, 14 March, 1381–2.

License to enlarge graveyard of Friars-Minors at Southampton by adding ground purchased under license in mortmain :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto nobis in Christo filiis gardiano et conventui ordinis fratrum minorum Southamptone, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Ad ea siquidem, que sacre religionis profectum, ac pietatis et caritatis opera respicere dinoscuntur, opem et operam, quantum cum Deo possumus, sinceris affectibus impertimur. Sanè pro parte vestrâ extitit nuper nobis humiliter supplicatum, ut cum vos de speciali licenciâ illustrissimi principis, domini nostri regis Anglie, vobis et successoribus vestris unam placeam

seu aream manso vestro contiguam in Southamptone predictâ licitè adquisivistis, prout in cartâ dictâ domini regis et aliâ cartâ vestrâ hanc materiam concernente vidimus contineri, placeam seu aream predictam vestro cimeterio ibidem, ut asseruistis, contiguam et connexam in elargacionem seu ampliacionem cimeterii vestri predicti, ut corpora eligencium apud vos ecclesiasticam sepulturam, liberiùs et largiùs in eodem valeant sepeliri, ac processiones et devociones consuete et solite honestiùs fieri, dedicare et consecrare, seu dedicari et consecrari facere, ex nostro pontificali officio dignaremur:

Nos igitur, peticionibus vestris tanquam pietati consonis annuentes, ut aream predictam pro sepulturâ mortuorum congruam, ut intelleximus, et honestam centum et viginti pedes ex orientali parte ecclesie vestre in villâ predictâ de Southamptone, usque ad murum super vicum regium eiusdem ville in longitudine continentem, et in latitudine a tenemento Johannis Baily, eiusdem ville, usque ad cimeterium vestrum predictum centum pedes eciam continentem et vestro cimeterio predicto coadjacentem per f. Thomam Dei graciâ episcopum Achadensem aut alium quemcunque episcopum catholicum sedis apostolice gratum, et sui execucionem officii optinentem, consecrari et dedicari facere valeatis, huiusmodique episcopo hoc liberè et licitè faciendum, dumtamen in hâc parte canonicum aliquod non obsistat, vobis et eidem plenam et liberam tenore presencium concedimus facultatem.—Romsey, — April, 1382.

Mandate to official to hear a cause promoted by Maurice Bruyn against Ingeram Bruyn for exhuming the body of sir William Bruyn, kt., without a license[1]:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio nostro m. Johanni Lydeforde, r. ecclesie parochialis de Wonsington, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Ad cognoscendum et procedendum in quâdam causâ injustè et temerariè pretensâ exhumacionis, translacionis, et ammocionis corporis seu cadaveris cuiusdam nobilis viri, domini Willelmi Bruyn, militis, in cimeterio ecclesie parochialis de Rounore, dicte nostre diocesis, dudum tumulati et sepulti, in juris offensam et lesionem ecclesiastice libertatis, ut pretenditur, nuper facte, que in audienciâ nostrâ aliquamdiu vertebatur et vertitur inter

[1] A body once buried could not be taken up or removed without license (*Gibs.* 1474), where the form of license is given.

nobilem virum, dominum Mauricium Bruyn, partem promoventem pro interesse suo in hoc eciam ex parte unâ, et dominum Ingeramum Bruyn reum pretensum ex alterâ, ac quosdam alios nostros subditos occasione premissâ, coram nobis ad judicium legitimè evocatos, ac eandem causam cum omnibus suis emergentibus, dependentibus, et connexis fine debito terminandum, cum potestate exequendi que decreveritis in hâc parte, eciam cum cuiuslibet cohercionis potestate, vobis, de cuius circumspeccione et industriâ plenam in Domino fiduciam optinemus, committimus vices nostras, donec eas ad nos duxerimus revocandas.—Esher, 28 April, 1382.

[194 b.] Mandate directed to vicar of Odiham and others to inhibit Nicholas Hereforde[1] and others from preaching Wyclif's doctrines :—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis domino Johanni, perpetuo vicario ecclesie parochialis de Odyham, nostre diocesis, necnon omnibus aliis capellanis divina celebrantibus in eâdem, aliisque capellis eidem annexis, ac eciam quibuscunque aliis ministris ecclesiasticis ministrantibus in eisdem, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Famâ publicâ referente et ex facto notorietate ad nostrum (quod dolenter referimus) nuper pervenit auditum, quod quidam Nicholas Hereforde, Johannes Asshetone, Robertus Alyntone, Laurencius Bedman de Cornubiâ, et alii ipsorum complices et sequaces, sectam Deo et fidei ecclesie Catholice detestabilem et horrendam inter se per mutua ipsorum illicita conventicula facientes, facies siquidem diversas habentes set caudas adinvicem colligatas,[1] quia de diversis dampnatis erroribus, ut nobis datur intelligi, conveniunt in idipsum, utputa de sacramento corporis et sanguinis domini nostri Ihu Christi, baptismate, peccatorum confessione, et aliis ecclesiasticis sacramentis dicte nostre diocesis utriusque sexûs subditos aliter sentire, et in ecclesiâ predictâ de Odyham et aliis eiusdem nostre diocesis ecclesiis publicè docere et predicare non metuunt, nec venerantur que sacrosancta Romana ecclesia predicat et affirmat, in grave animarum dictorum nostrorum subditorum et suarum periculum, ac aliorum perniciosum exemplum. Et

[1] Walsingham, vol. ii, p. 56, alluding to the supporters of Wyclif in the University of Oxford, says: "Inter quos plus fuere notabiles, magister Nicholaus Herford, acerrimus sectator Johannis Wiclyf, et quidam canonicus Leycestrie (Philip Repyngdone).

[1] *Judges* xv, 4.

evidenter in sacris canonibus est repertum, quod nullus, nisi qui mittitur,[1] debeat in ecclesiâ Dei vel aliis locis publicis sibi predicacionis officium usurpare vel illud publicè exercere.

Vobis et cuilibet vestrûm in virtute sancte obediencie, quâ Deo et nobis teneamini, firmiter injungendo mandamus et exhortamur in Domino, quatenus nec dictos Nicholaum, Johannem, Robertum et Laurencium, nec quoscunque alios ipsorum complices et sequaces, ad predicandum publicè vel docendum in dictâ ecclesiâ de Odyham aut alibi infra dictam parochiam seu plateis ubicunque premissas aut alias oppiniones hereticales quinpocius expressam heresim sapientes quomodolibet admittatis vel admitti permittatis ; Inhibentes expressè vice et auctoritate nostrâ omnibus et singulis utriusque sexûs parochianis vestris predictis, necnon omnibus aliis et singulis nostre diocesis subditis et subjectis, ne in huiusmodi predicacionibus et sermonibus per eos, quod absit, imposterum fiendis, cum ex ipsis grave scandalum et animarum periculum, ut premittitur, generetur, ipsorum audienciam prebeant quovismodo, sub penâ excommunicacionis maioris, quam in ipsos et eorum quemlibet, cuiuscunque statûs, gradûs, aut condicionis extiterit, si inhibicionibus vestris, quin veriùs nostris, in hâc parte contraveniunt et non puniunt cum effectu, canonicè intendimus fulminare. Et quid in premissis feceritis et invenietis nos citra festum Corporis Christi ubicunque in nostrâ fuerimus civitate vel diocesi certificetis, etc.—Southwark, 21 May, 1382.

[196 a.] Doctrines of Wiclif condemned by Archbishop Courtenay as heretical or erroneous, and the preachers thereof silenced[2]:—

Willelmus, etc. Ecclesiarum prelati circa gregis Dominici sibi commissi custodiam eò vigilanciùs intendere debent quo lupos intrinsecus ovium vestimentis indutos ad rapiendum et dispergendum oves noverint fraudulenciùs circuire. Sanè frequenti clamore ac divulgatâ famâ, quod dolentes referimus, ad nostrum pervenit auditum, quod licet secundum canonicas sancciones nemo prohibitus vel non missus absque sedis apostolice vel

[1] "And how shall they preach, except they be sent?"—*Rom.* x, 15.

[2] This circular was issued after the conference at Blackfriars, in June, 1382, on the day of the earthquake (*Wals.* ii, 6), when the following "conclusions" drawn from Wiclif's published works were censured. They are set forth almost *totidem verbis* by *Wals.* ii, 58, and see *Fasciculi Zizaniorum*, p. 493.

episcopi auctoritate sibi predicacionis officium usurpare debeat publicè vel occultè ; quidam tamen eterne dampnacionis filii in insaniam mentis perducti sub magne sanctitatis velamine auctoritatem sibi vendicant predicandi, ac nonnullas proposiciones et conclusiones infrascriptas hereticas, erroneas, atque falsas ab ecclesiâ Dei dampnatas et determinacionibus sancte ecclesie repugnantes, que statum totius ecclesie nostreque provincie Cantuariensis et tranquillitatem regni subvertere et enervare nituntur, tam in ecclesiis quam plateis et quampluribus aliis locis prophanis dicte nostre provincie non verentur asserere, dogmatizare, et publicè predicare, illis nonnullos Christi fideles inficientes et a fide catholicâ, sine quâ non est salus, facientes flebiliter deviare.

Nos itaque attendentes, quod tam perniciosum malum, quod in plurimos serpere poterit, eorum animas letali contagione necando, non debeamus, sicuti non debemus, sub dissimulacione transire, ne sanguis eorum de nostris manibus inquiratur, et illud, quantum nobis ex Alto permittatur, extirpare volentes, de quamplurium fratrum et suffraganeorum nostrorum consilio et assensu convocavimus plures sacre theologie doctores et juris canonici et civilis professores et alios clericos, quos famosiores et peritiores de regno credidimus, ut super dictis conclusionibus vota sua dicerent et sentire.

Verum quia premissis conclusionibus et assercionibus in nostrâ et eorundem confratrum nostrorum ac dictorum convocatorum presenciâ patenter expositis et diligenter examinatis finaliter est compertum, nostroque et eorum omnium convocato consilio declaratum, quasdam conclusionum illarum hereticas esse, quasdam verò erroneas, atque determinacionibus ecclesie repugnantes, prout inferiùs describuntur ; fraternitati vestre committimus et mandamus in virtute sancte obediencie firmiter injungentes, quatenus omnibus et singulis confratribus nostris, cöepiscopis nostris, et ecclesie nostre Cantuariensis suffraganeis, cum eâ celeritate quâ poteritis injungatis, prout eis et eorum singulis ac vobis injungimus, ut ipsorum singuli in ecclesiis suis et aliis suarum civitatum et diocesis, vosque in vestrâ et ceteris vestre civitatis et diocesis ecclesiis moneant et inhibeant, moneatis et inhibeatis, prout nos tenore presencium monemus primò, secundò, et terciò ac districciùs inhibemus pro primâ monicione

unum diem, pro secundâ alium diem, et pro terciâ monicione canonicâ ac peremptoriâ unum alium diem assignando, ne quis deceterò cuiuscunque statûs aut condicionis existat hereses seu errores predictos vel eorum aliquem teneat, doceat, predicet, seu defendat aut aliquem prohibitum non missum vel alium de cuius potestate non constiterit, ad predicandum admittat, aut hereses seu errores huiusmodi vel eorum aliquem predicantem audiat vel auscultet seu ei faveat vel adhereat publicè vel occultè, set statim tanquam serpentem venenum pestiferum emittentem fugiat et evitet, sub penâ excommunicacionis maioris, quam in omnes et singulos in hâc parte rebelles et nostris monicionibus non paventes lapsis ipsis tribus diebus pro monicione canonicâ assignatis, morâ culpâ et offensâ suis precedentibus et id fieri meritò exigentibus exnunc prout extunc ferimus in hiis scriptis, et per singulos confratres et suffraganeos nostros in suis civitatibus et diocesibus, ac per vos in vestrâ civitate et diocesi, quatenus ad eos et ad vos attinet, exhabundanti precipimus fulminari. Dictos insuper confratres nostros omnes et singulos nostrâ ex parte per vos hortari volumus ac mandamus per aspersionem sanguinis Ihu Christi, et similiter vos hortamur, quod cum juxta sacrorum canonum instituta quilibet eorundem in suis civitatibus et diocesibus heretice pravitatis inquisitor existat ac vos in vestris similiter existatis, de huiusmodi presumptoribus solicitè et diligenter inquirant et inquiratis, ac contra eos juxta officii sui debitum cum effectu procedant et similiter procedat ad laudem et honorem nominis Crucifixi et salvacionem fidei ortodoxe.

Conclusiones heretice et determinacionibus ecclesie repugnantes, de quibus supra fit mencio, in hec verba sequuntur.

Quod substancia panis materialis et vini manet post consecracionem in Sacramento altaris.

Item, quod accidencia non manent sine subjecto post consecracionem in eodem Sacramento.

Item, quod Christus non sit in Sacramento altaris ydempticè, verè, et realiter in propriâ presenciâ corporali.

Item, quod si episcopus vel sacerdos existat in peccato mortali, non ordinat, conficit, nec baptizat.

Item, quod si homo debitè fuerit contritus, omnis confessio exterior est sibi superflua et inutilis.

Item, pertinaciter asserere, non esse fundatum in evangelio, quod Christus missam ordinaverit.

Item, quod Deus debet obedire diabolo.

Item, quod si papa sit prescitus ac malus homo, ac, per consequens, quod membrum diaboli, non habet potestatem super fideles Christi ab aliquo sibi datam, nisi forte a Cesare.

Item, quod post Urbanum sextum non est aliquis recipiendus in papam, set vivendum est more Grecorum sub legibus propriis.

Item asserere, quod est contra sacram scripturam, quod viri ecclesiastici habeant possessiones temporales.

Conclusiones erronee et determinacionibus ecclesie repugnantes, de quibus superiùs memoratis in hec verba sequuntur :—

Quod nullus prelatus debet aliquem excommunicare, nisi prius ipsum sciat excommunicatum esse a Deo.

Item, quod sic excommunicans, ex hoc sit hereticus vel excommunicatus.

Item, quod prelatus excommunicans clerum, qui appellaverit ad regem et consilium regni, eo ipso traditor Dei est, regis, et regni.

Item, quod illi qui dimittunt predicare seu audire verbum Dei, vel evangelium predicatum propter excommunicacionem hominum, sunt excommunicati, et in die Judicii traditores Dei habebuntur.

Item asserere, quod liceat alicui, eciam diacono vel presbytero predicare verbum Dei absque auctoritate sedis apostolice vel episcopi catholici seu aliâ de quâ sufficienter constet.

Item asserere, quod nullus est dominus civilis, nullus est episcopus, nullus est prelatus, dum est in mortali peccato.

Item, quod domini temporales possint ad arbitrium suum auferre bona temporalia ab ecclesiasticis habitualiter delinquentibus, et quod populares possint ad arbitrium eorum dominos delinquentes corrigere.

Item, quod decime sunt pure elemosine, et quod parochiani possint propter peccata suorum curatorum eas detinere, et ad libitum aliis conferre.

Item, quod speciales oraciones applicate uni persone per prelatos vel religiosos non plus prosunt eidem persone, quam oraciones generales, ceteris paribus, eidem.

Item, quod eo ipso quod aliquis ingreditur religionem privatam quamcunque redditur ineptior et inhabilior ad observanciam mandatorum Dei.

Item, quod Sancti instituentes religiones privatas quascunque, tam possessionatorum quam mendicancium, in sic instituendo peccaverunt.

Item, quod religiosi viventes in religionibus privatis non sunt de religione Christianâ.

Item, quod fratres teneantur per laborem manuum, et non per mendicacionem, victum suum adquirere.

Item, quod conferens elemosinam fratribus vel fratri predicanti est excommunicatus et recipiens.—Otford, May 30, 1382.

[197 a.] Archbishop Courtenay's circular, denouncing excommunication against Hereforde and Repyngdone:—

Willelmus, etc. Cum nos m. Nicholao Hereforde ac Philippo Reppyngdone, canonico regulari monasterii beate Marie Leycestrie, sacre theologie doctoribus, de hereticâ pravitate vehementer suspectis, post quasdam responsiones minus plenas et impertinentes, hereticas et erroneas per eosdem factas, ad nonnullas conclusiones hereticas et erroneas, in quampluribus locis dicte nostre provincie communiter et generaliter ac publicè predicatas et doctas, coram nobis judicialiter comparentibus, prefiximus certos competentes diem et locum ad faciendum et recipiendum peremptoriè in eâ parte, quod ipsius negocii qualitas suaderet, ipsosque propter eorum contumaciam in non comparendo coram nobis eisdem die et loco judicialiter contentam excommunicavimus, justiciâ exigente: vobis committimus et mandamus, etc. Citation in usual form.—Otford, 30 July.

[198 b.] The bishop dismisses charges of heresy against Bedman:—

Universis sancte matris ecclesie filiis, ad quos presentes litere pervenerint, Willelmus, etc. Noverit universitas vestra, quod cum nos m. Laurencium Bedeman aliàs dictum Stephene, magistrum in artibus, super quibusdam articulis sive conclusionibus hereticis et erroneis, determinacioni ecclesie contrariis et per ipsum, ut dicebatur, in nostrâ Wyntoniensi diocese predicatis publicè atque doctis, vehementer suspectum habuimus, ac eâ occasione ad certos diem et locum coram nobis ad judicium fecimus evocari: quia auditis per nos nonnullosque alios sacre pagine professores legumque doctores nobis in hâc parte tunc assidentes responsionibus dicti Laurencii ad conclusiones huiusmodi, invenimus ipsum virum catholicum, ac ecclesie determinacioni in eisdem debitè conformem, recepto priùs ab eodem ad sancta Dei evangelia per ipsum corporaliter tacta

juramento, quod ipsas conclusiones nunquam tenuit, docuit, aut predicavit, nec quod eas tenebit, docebit, aut predicabit in futurum, quodque predicantibus aut docentibus easdem seu alias quascunque heresim sapientes verbo vel facto, publicè vel occultè, consilio, auxilio, vel favore, minimè adherebit in eâ parte, seu se quomodolibet associabit, quinimmo contrarium earundem publicè predicabit et docebit, cum per ad hoc fuerit requisitus, eundem Laurencium ab officio nostro contra eum premissorum occasione instituto et impeticione ultiori super eisdem absolvimus per presentes et dimittimus absolutum.—Southwark, 22 Oct., 1382.

[**197 b.**] Copy of Act against preachers of heretical doctrines.[1]

[**194 b.**] Appointment of John Mowbray, auditor of the Apostolic palace, William Lozyng, canon of Sarum, and m. Nicholas Stoket, to pay the bishop's triennial visit to Rome.—London, 4 June, and again 15 July.

Letter acknowledging receipt from m. Thomas de Southam, archdeacon of Oxon, and collector and commissary-general to Cosmatus Gentilis of Sulmo,[2] the nuncio to England, of a mandate directed to the bishop to publish sentence of excommunication against certain of the clergy of whom first-fruits were claimed for the pope *ex causâ provisionis*, and to sequestrate their benefices until payment.—Esher, 14 July, 1382.

The benefices above referred to :—

Godalming, on provision to James, Cardinal de Ursinis.

Shalford, on provision to John Leomynstre.

Wanborough, on provision to Robert Dyere and Nicholas Possehole.

Prebend lately held by one Wynewyk in collegiate church of Wilton, on provision to one Hugh.

Archdeaconries of Winchester and Surrey, for Peter pence of 1381.

[1] This is the "Act for the arresting and apprehension of erroneous and heretical preachers," 5 Ric. II, stat. 2, c. 5, of the statutes at large. It was annulled in the following year (1383) as having been made by the King and the Lords without the consent of the Commons (see *Coke* 3 *Inst.* 41), yet it was expressly confirmed as an existing act by stat. 25 Hen. VIII, c. 14. It was re-enacted in substance 2 Hen. IV, c. 15, and see stat. 2 Hen. V, c. 27, "an Act for reformation of heresies and Lollardy."

[2] Cosmo Gentili, afterwards bp. of Bononia, became pope, as Innocent VII, on death of Boniface IX in October, 1404.

Abbeys of Chertsey and Waverley, also priories of Breamore, West Shirbourne, Andover, and Tandridge, for procurations of 1381.

Houghton, on provision to William Passenham.

Hambledon, Hants on provision to William Welles (*ante* p. 309).

Widley, on provision to William, r. of Wymering, a son of sir Thomas Batisforde, kt.

North Stoneham, on provision to John Lavyngton and Nicholas Marnham (vol. i, pp. 98, 100).

Prebend in Wherwell abbey lately held by Walter de Aldeby, on provision to Richard de Croxton.

Netley abbey and Selborne priory, for procurations of 1380 and 1381.

Tweford (*sic*), on union with St. Mary's abbey, Winchester.

[202 a.] Letter addressed by said Thomas de Southam to the bishop, to enforce payment of first fruits due *ex causâ provisionis* from Richard Yeventone, of Hayforde, r. of Houghton,[1] Richard (*sic*) Welles, v. of Hambledon, Hants, William, son of sir Thomas Batisforde, kt., r. of Wetheleghe (Widley), and William Lozyng, prebendary of Torletone; also of procurations due by abbot of Netley and priors of Winchester cathedral and Christchurch Twynham.

Reply of the bishop, dated at Southwark, 30 October, 1383. He has sequestrated Hambledon and Widley and cited the incumbents: Torleton is not in his diocese, but in the diocese of Sarum. He has cited the abbot of Netley and prior of Selborne.

[196 a.] Archbishop Courtenay's mandate for prayers for peace and fine weather, and against pestilence, dated Otford, 30 May, and received by bp. of London 4 June, 1382. The following special prayers are enjoined:—

Oracio.—Deus, qui imminentem inimicis interitum solâ misericordiâ removisti; quibus ut misericors existeres commissionis penitenciam prestitisti; Respice, quesumus, populum tuum ante conspectum misericordie tue prostratum, ut ab hostium incursu liberemur, et quos Unigeniti tui sanguine redemisti, non patiaris propter misericordiam tuam subitanee mortis interire supplicio. Per Dominum.

Secreta.—Ecclesie tue, quesumus, Omnipotens Deus, munus placatum intendere; et misericordiâ nos pocius quam ira preveniat; quia si iniquitates nostras observare volueris, nulla

[1] He had been dead four years (see vol. i, p. 102).

poterit creatura subsistere, set admirabili pietate, quâ nos fecisti opera manuum tuarum, non sinas interire. Per Dominum.

Post communio.—Omnipotens et misericors Deus, respice populum tuum magestati tue subjectum, et ne nos furor sevientis mortis inveniat, sacramentorum tuorum percepcio sancta proficiat. Per Dominum.

Time enlarged for pilgrimage to Rome, on ground of poverty, where a man was under sentence of excommunication for a crime (striking a priest) for which the pope only could grant absolution :—

Memorandum, quod vj^{to} die mensis Junii, anno Domini millesimo ccc^{mo} lxxxij^{do}, apud Esshere, comparens coram reverendo in Christo patre, etc., Willelmus Osbern, qui manus injecit violentas in quemdam dominum Johannem Melan, presbyterum, propter quod ipsius absolucio a sede apostolicâ esset requirenda, allegavit rerum inopiam ac paupertatem nimiam, fide super hoc prestitâ. Unde dictus dominus secum dispensavit usque ad festum Omnium Sanctorum proximè futurum, ut interim dictam curiam Romanam minimè teneatur adire pro suâ absolucione predictâ. Quo die adveniente, omni excusacione cessante, injunxit eidem, quatenus iterum arriperet versus curiam predictam, domini pape suscepturus mandatum juxta, etc., deceterò, aliter quod revaderet in pristinam excommunicacionis summam et tanquam excommunicatus debeat evitari.

[198 a.] In a similar case, one John Marescal who had slain a friar obtained a further extension of time for visiting Rome, on the ground of the danger of the journey through the seat of war in France.—Wargrave, 19 Sept., 1382.

[197 b.] Mandate directed to abbot of Quarr, archpriest of Barton, and r. of Arreton, to muster clergy of the Isle of Wight :—

Willelmus, etc., religioso viro, abbati de Quarrerâ, archipresbytero domûs nostre de Burtone, ac m. Roberto Lymyngtone, r. ecclesie parochialis de Arretone in Insulâ Vectâ, nostre diocesis, salutem, etc. Cum vim vi repellere jura omnia permittant, adhibito moderamine inculpate tutele, ac patriam defendere cuilibet sit licitum et concessum, per cuius defensionem

pater occidendo filium excusatur: unde quia jam noviter didicimus, quod Gallici inimici nostri et alii sibi adherentes super costeris maritimis dicte insule congregârunt, et festinant se parare ad citiùs quo poterunt invadendum infra breve eandam ac populum dictam insulam inhabitantem debellandum, et pro viribus destruendum, et ecclesiam Anglicanam subvertendum.

Nos igitur, volentes salvacioni et defensioni ecclesie et insule predicte modis omnibus cum toto posse nostro, prout convenit, providere, cum ad resistendum dictis inimicis capitalibus pro salvacione ecclesie sancte prelatus quilibet ac eciam totus clerus manus tenentur apponere adjutrices; vobis igitur injungimus et mandamus, quatenus, consideratis gravibus dampnis et periculis imminentibus per aggressus inimicorum predictorum, omnes abbates, priores, necnon et alias personas ecclesiasticas religiosas et seculares quascunque dicte insule, omni excusacione postpositâ, armari et arraiari, et armis competentibus eorum, videlicet quemlibet inter etates sexaginta et sex decim annorum existentem, juxta statum et facultates suas, muniri infra diem certum prefigendum eisdem per vos breviorem, ac eos in millenis centenis et vicenis poni faciatis, ita quod ipsis sic, ut fertur, armatis, prompti sint et parati ad proficiscendum cum aliis incolis regis nostri fidelibus insule supradicte contra inimicos predictos, necnon ad ipsos cum Dei adjutorio debellandum et destruendum, ac ad maliciam et pertinaciam eorum propulsandum et conterendum.

Ad que omnia facienda, etc.—Highclere, 22 August, 1382.

[**201 a.**] Another, pursuant to writ issued 26 June, 1383.—Farnham, 13 July, 1383.

[**198 a.**] License for dedication by William, bp. of Nantes, of three altars and two altar tops (altaria portatilia seu superaltaria) in Merton priory church.—Esher, 9 June, 1382.

Probate of will of m. John de Glastone, prebendary of Hussebourne (vol. i, p. 40), granted to the executors, Thomas Skeltone and John Kirkeman, v Id. Oct., 1382, and memorandum of discharge on 20th of same month.

[**198 b.**] Dimissory for Richard Josep, a literate, *ut a quocunque episcopo*, etc., for first tonsure.—Oxford, 23 Oct., 1382.

Publication of archbishop's mandate, dated Lambeth, 15 Oct., 1382, summoning clergy to convocation at St. Frideswide's, Oxford, on Tuesday, 18 Nov., pursuant to writ dated 23 Sept. (in form as at p. 309).

[**199 a.**] Mandate directed to archdeacon of Winchester to monish a number of beneficed men whose names on a scroll accompanied the mandate to pay pensions in arrear to treasurer of Wolvesey within 15 days.—Highclere, 4 December.

[**199 b.**] Commission directed to abbot of St. Albans and priors of St. Mary Overy and St. Bartholomew's to try an issue referred by Urban VI, whether Maud, the alleged wife of Edmund Cresey, was or not already the wife of William Wottone.—Southwark, 11 March, 1382–3.

Nomination by the bishop as conservator of the order of Friars-Minors in England jointly with the archbishop of York and bishop of London, any one of the three having power to act, of Adam, bp. of St. Davids, and John Wesbiche, abbot of Dore, as delegates for the protection of friars of the order in the diocese of St. David's—quatenus prefatis religiosis viris de quibuscunque molestiis, violenciis, injuriis, et dampnis contra tenorem privilegiorum suorum in diocese Menevensi eisdem illatis, in hiis videlicet que judicialem requirunt indaginem, per viam judicii, in aliis verò, prout qualitas ipsorum exigerit, faciatis in formâ nobis commissâ justicie complementum, etc.—*Ib.*, 24 February.

[**200 a.**] Administration of estate of sir Ralph de Nortone, kt., granted to Margaret his widow.—Southwark, 1 March, 1382–3.

Publication of archbishop's mandate, dated Otford, 10 April, 1383, for prayers for the expedition of Henry, bp. of Norwich.[1]—Wickham, 16 April, 1383.

[1] In the year 1382 Urban VI issued a bull authorising the bishop of Norwich to act against the adherents of Clement the antipope, and granting him privileges in reference thereto (*Walsingham*, ii, pp. 71, 79). The subject was discussed in the parliament held in Lent, 1383, and all opposition thereto being overcome, grants in aid were voted, and great preparation for the expedition made (*ib.*, p. 84). The bishop crossed over to Calais, took Gravelines and Dunkirk, and fought a battle with the French and their Flemish allies, in which the skill of the English archers prevailed (tanta erat densitas sagittarum volancium ut aer tanquam a nube nigrâ obscuraretur, *ib.*, 92). The French fled, a storm of thunder and lightning contributed to the rout, and 12,000 on their side were slain, with a loss of only seven on the side of the English (*ib.*, 93). The bishop then retired to Dunkirk and afterwards laid siege to Ypres and entered Picardy; but the ardour of the English cooled and the bishop returned to England, having lost the opportunity of humbling the French (*ib.*, 104).

[200 b.] Publication of archbishop's circular, dated Otford, 18 May, 1383, reciting bull to keep St. Anne's Day holy :—

Urbanus episcopus, servus servorum Dei, venerabilibus fratribus universis archiepiscopis et episcopis in regno Anglie constitutis, salutem et apostolicam benediccionem. Splendor paterne glorie, qui suâ ineffabili mundum illuminat claritate, pia fidelium vota de ipsius clementissimâ maiestate sperancium benigno tunc precipuè favore prosequitur, cum devota ipsorum humilitas sanctorum precibus et meritis adjuvatur. Cum itaque nuper pro parte nonnullorum Christi fidelium in regno Anglie degencium fuerit expositum coram nobis, quod populus predicti regni ad beatam Annam genitricem gloriose Virginis Marie, matris Dei, eciam ob reverenciam eiusdem beate Marie virginis, singularem gerunt devocionis affectum; et pro parte ipsorum Christi fidelium nobis fuit humiliter supplicatum, ut ipsius beate Anne festivitatem in dicto regno solempniter et decorè celebrari a prelatis et aliis Christi fidelibus in ipso regno commorantibus mandaremus: Nos huiusmodi piam voluntatem et devocionis affectum predictorum populorum plurimum in Domino commendantes, et cupientes Christi fideles Domino reddere acceptabiles et bonorum operum sectatores, huiusmodi supplicacionibus inclinati, paternitati vestre presencium tenore districtè precipiendo mandamus, quatenus predictam festivitatem beate Anne annis singulis perpetuis futuris temporibus devotè et solempniter celebretur, et in vestris civitatibus et diocesibus mandetis et faciatis per vestros subditos celebrari.

Romæ, apud S. Petrum, xj Kal. Jul. pontificatûs nostri anno quarto.

The bishop's return to the above mandate is dated at Farnham, 30 June.

[201 a.] Deputation of Henry Derneforde as bailiff of manor of Bishop's Sutton.—*Ib.*, 3 June.

[201 b.] Release by Thomas, son of Sir Thomas de Lodelowe, kt., of all actions, claims, and demands against the bishop.[1]—Farnham, 14 December, 1383.

[1] This release was given when the young man came of age and ceased to be a ward of the bishop, of whom he held a knight's fee.

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[202 b.] Two canons of Southwick sworn to maintain the chantry founded by the bishop at Southwick priory for the souls of John and Sibil, his parents:—

Memorandum quod xxij^{da} die mensis Augusti, anno domini millesimo ccc^{mo} lxxxiij^{o}, in presenciâ reverendi patris et domini, domini W., Dei graciâ episcopi Wyntoniensis, in camerâ suâ infra manerium suum de Suthwaltham constituti personaliter fratres Thomas Gervays et Thomas le Warenner, canonici professi, ut asseruerunt, prioratûs de Suthwyk, ordinis S. Augustini, Wyntoniensis diocesis, tactis per ipsos sacrosanctis evangeliis, corporale prestiterunt juramentum omnia et singula contenta in ordinacione cuiusdam cantarie in dicto prioratu pro animabus patris et matris dicti reverendi patris fundate per canonicos eiusdem domûs perpetuis futuris temporibus celebrande, quatenus ipsos concernant vel concernere potuerint in futuro, pro viribus observare, et per alios quorum interest in hâc parte procurare, ac facere firmiter ac fideliter observari; presentibus in juramento predicto discreto viro f. Edwardo de Mortone, canonico dicte domûs; magistris Johanne de Melton, Johanne Ware, Johanne de Swafham, et aliis testibus, etc.—Renewed 10 April, 1386, and 19 November, 1394.

Mandate directed to official of archdeacon of Winchester to enforce residence:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio officiali archidiaconi nostri Wyntoniensis, s. g. et b. Conditores sacrorum canonum proinde statuerunt, quod ecclesiarum parochialium curam animarum per se habencium rectores et vicarii teneantur perpetui in suis huiusmodi beneficiis personaliter residere, ac curam parochianorum in divinis officiis et sacramentis ecclesiasticis eis, quociens opus fuerit, ministrando proficere et solicitè adimplere: ipsosque parochianos verbo sacre doctrine instruere preter et exemplo, ne per ipsorum absenciam voluntariam vel incuriam lupus rapax dominicum gregem invadat et pastores ignorent.

[203 a.] Cum igitur ecclesiarum parochialium nostre diocesis curam animarum per se habencium rectores et vicarii, quorum

et beneficiorum suorum nomina continet cedula hiis annexa, non attendentes onus beneficiorum suorum eis injunctum, ecclesias et beneficia sua huiusmodi sine quâcunque causâ justâ, verâ, seu legitimâ, nostrâ super hoc libenciâ non obtentâ, deseruerint et habeant pro derelictis, desertores milicie clericalis pro suis demeritis merito nuncupandi, non curantes de omnibus dominicis eis commissis, pro quibus tamen in districtò examine tenentur veraciter reddere racionem.

Nos, cuius cure et regimini omnis anima nostre diocesis principaliter est commissa, nolentes gregem Dominicum per defectum et absenciam huiusmodi curatorum suorum lupinis morsibus subjacere, vobis committimus et mandamus, firmiter injungentes, quatenus, etc. Non-residents to be publicly monished and cited to appear and show cause why they should not reside :—

Deanery of Winchester :—

Rectors of Morestead, Lainston, Headbourne Worthy, St. Michael's Jewry Street.

Deanery of Southampton :—

R. of St. Laurence.

Deanery of Sombourn :—

Robert, r. of Elledene (Eldon), John, r. of Mottisfont, Elias, r. of Puttelesworth (vol. i, p. 27).

Richard Branketre, r. of Berghtone (Broughton).

Deanery of Andover :—

Maurice, r. of Tudeworthe.

Ds. Walter, r. of Abbotysanne.

Deanery of Basingstoke :—

William, r. of Newenham.

Nicholas, r. of Stratfieldsaye.

John r. of Nateley Scures (ds. Robertus, capellanus et firmarius ibidem).

Richard, r. of Southwarnborough (r. of Farnham, firmarius ibidem).

William, r. of Cold Waltham (William Evelyn, firmarius ibidem).

Deanery of Alton :—

Walter, r. of Chawton.

Ds. Thomas, r. of Farringdon.

Ds. John, r. of Brembeshete (Bramshott).

R. of East Tisted.

Deanery of Isle of Wight :—

Nicholas, r. of Broke (Brook).
Thomas Grys, r. of Calbourne.
William, r. of Shalfleet.
Thomas, r. of Gatcomb.
(John Grym, firmarius ibidem).
William, r. of Everlonde (Yaverland).

A similar mandate to official of archdeacon of Surrey :—

Deanery of Ewell :—

John, r. of Lymenesfelde (Limpsfield).
Richard, r. of Tycheseye (Titsey).
Adam, r. of Blechynglegh.
John, r. of Notfelde.
John, v. of Gattone.
Robert Browe, r. of Mikelham.
John, r. of Lange Dittone.
Robert, v. of Bansted.
Robert, v. of Coveham (Cobham).
Robert, r. of Asshestede.
John, v. of Codyngtone.
Edmund, v. of Bechesworthe.
John, r. of Wodemenesthorne (Woodmansterne).
John, v. of Sutton.
Thomas, v. of Ocstede (Oxted).

Deanery of Guildford :—

Robert, v. of Shere.
Thomas, r. of Wodetone (Wotton).
Thomas, r. of Chidyngfolde.
John, v. of Godalmyng.

Farnham, 15 Dec., 1383.

[**203 b.**] Mandate directed to priors of Christchurch Twynham and Mottisfont to collect in archdeaconry of Winchester the first moiety of the tenth granted in convocation, 2 December, 1383, pursuant to writ dated 22nd of that month.[1]—Farnham, 29 December, 1383.

A similar mandate was directed to prior of Merton for archdeaconry of Surrey.

[1] In the parliament held at London on All Saints' Day, 1383, a moiety of a fifteenth was granted by the laity and a tenth by the clergy. A share of these grants was claimed by the lords of the northern parts on the ground of having to defend the realm against the irruptions of the Scots ; but the demand was spoken against by the bishop of Winchester and negatived.—*Wals.*, ii, 108.

Return to Exchequer of above appointments.—Same date.

Publication of archbishop's mandate, dated at Exeter, 22 April, 1383, summoning prelates and clergy to convocation at Salisbury on the 31st of May, pursuant to writ dated 12 April. —Salisbury, 12 May, 1383.

[204 b.] Mandate to prior of Winchester Cathedral to collect in city and archdeaconry a moiety of the above tenth, pursuant to writ dated 1st July.—Southwark, 26 July, 1383.

Similar mandate to abbot of Chertsey for archdeaconry of Surrey.—Same date.

[205 a.] Publication of archbishop's mandate, dated 20 Oct., 1384, summoning prelates and clergy to convocation at St. Paul's on Thursday next after St. Martin, pursuant to writ [205 b.] dated at Westminster, 28 Sept.—Southwark, 28 Nov., 1384.

[206 a.] John de Wallop, the patron of Over Wallop, having presented Adam de Allerthorpe (vol. i, p. 148), mandate to the official and archdeacon of Winchester to inquire whether the benefice be vacant or not, and who is the patron—quatenus tam super dictâ ecclesiâ, videlicet an vacet, et si sic, ubi, quomodo, et quando vacare incepit, quam eciam de jure presentantis nunc et ultimò ad eandem, quis est ipsius ecclesie verus patronus, et quis sit in possessione presentandi; an dicta ecclesia sit litigiosa, pensionaria, vel porcionaria,[1] et si sic, cui, vel quibus, et in quantum, ac ex quâ causâ; Item super vitâ, moribus, conversacione, ac natalibus dicti presentati, et an in ordine clericali, et si sit, in quo vel in quibus fuerit constitutus, et an alibi, beneficiatus existat, et si sic, utrum unum vel plura habeat beneficia, et que ac qualia fuerint.

Item, quia famâ publicâ referente ac ex fidedignorum relacione accepimus, quod inter presentantem et presentatum predictos, seu inter medias personas eorum nomine, vel saltem in negocio presentacionis predicte, simoniaca pravitas intervenit, vobis, ut supra, committimus et mandamus, quatenus si aliqua huiusmodi simoniaca pravitas intervenerit in hâc parte, et si sic, que et qualis, et inter quas personas contracta fuerit, ac super

[1] See vol. i, p. 23.

modo et formâ et qualitate ac singulis circumstanciis eiusdem, necnon super aliis articulis in hâc parte consuetis, in pleno loci capitulo ubi dicta consistit ecclesia per rectores et vicarios in eodem capitulo presentes et juratos premissorum noticiam meliùs optinentes non suspectos, vocatis legitimè primitùs omnibus qui fuerint evocandi, inquiratis diligenciùs veritatem.

De diebus verò recepcionis, etc.—Esher, 8 Sept., 1383.

Commission to inquire whether Allerthorpe's presentation was simoniacal :—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis m. Johanni de Lydeforde, officiali nostro Wyntoniensi, et Johanni de Bloxham, archidiacono nostro Wyntoniensi, s. g. et b. Famâ publicâ referente, necnon ex insinuacione fidedignorum multorum nostris est auribus intimatum, quod inter Johannem de Wallop, presentantem, et quemdam Adam de Allerthorpe, ad ecclesiam parochialem de Ouere Wallope, nostre diocesis, presentatum, seu inter medias personas ipsorum nomine, vel saltem in negocio presentacionis predicte, ac circa ipsam, simoniaca pravitas, promissio, seu paccio illicita intervenit, quorum pretextu dictos Johannem presentantem et Adam presentatum super huiusmodi simoniacâ pravitate, promissione, seu paccione illicitâ antedictâ pretensâ, si purgacionem ipsam vobis offerre voluerit, ceteraque faciendum et expediendum que in eâ parte necessaria fuerint seu eciam oportuna, vobis communiter et divisim tenore presencium committimus vices nostras ; certificantes nos dicto expedito negocio de toto processu vestro super hiis coram vobis habendo per literas vestras patentes harum seriem, et nomina compurgatorum dicti Ade, si se legitimè purgaverit in hâc parte, pleniùs continentes.—Southwark, 12 Sept.

[206 b.] Certiorari for a return of aliens beneficed in the diocese, and the annual value of their benefices :—

Ricardus, etc., venerabili in Christo patri, etc., salutem. Quia quibusdam certis et urgentibus causis nos specialiter moventibus certiorari volumus, que et cuiusmodi beneficia infra diocesim vestram per alienigenas occupata existunt, et de annuo vero valore cuiuslibet eorundem beneficiorum, ac de nominibus, statu, gradu et condicione cuiuslibet persone eorundem alienigenarum,

vobis mandamus, firmiter injungentes, quod nos inde in cancellariâ nostrâ sub sigillo vestro distinctè et apertè citra festum S. Martini proximè futurum reddatis cerciores, hoc breve nobis remittentes. Teste meipso apud Westm., xx^mo^ Sept., viij^vo^ Ric. II.

[213 a.] *Alias* writ with like object, dated at Westminster, 16 Jan., 8 Ric. II, and return, dated at Esher, 1 Feb., 1384–5.

The return:—

Priory of Carisbrooke, f. Thomas de Val Osoul, a monk of Lire, is prior; ann. val., 130 marks.

Priory of Apuldercombe, Peter de Mouster, a monk of St. Mary de Montisburg in Normandy, is prior; ann. val. £45.

Priory of Andover, Denys Chanon, a monk of St. Florent in Anjou, is prior; ann. val., 80 marks.

Church of Combe, prior of Okeborne, an alien monk, is rector; ann. val., £10.

Priory of West Shirbourne (Schireborne monachorum); Inguerand de Dinno, an alien monk of St. Vigor's in the diocese of Bayeux, is prior; ann. val., £23. 3*s.* 3*d.*

Priory of Andwell (Enedewelle), in the hands of Thomas Driffelde and Elienora his wife; ann. val., 20 marks.

Priory of Hayling (Hailynge), John de Ousqueto, a monk of Jumieges in Normandy, is prior; ann. val., £110.

[206 b.] Mandate directed to archdeacon of Winchester for prayers for peace to be said throughout the archdeaconry, with a grant of forty days indulgence, pursuant to writ below.—Esher, 27 Oct., 1384:—

Ricardus, etc., venerabili in Christo patri, etc., salutem. Ut previsa jacula minus ledant, et gravissimis nostrî et nostrorum periculis salubriùs obvietur, inimicorum fallaces insidias et malicias mortiferas satis expedit esse notas; super quo vos scire volumus, quod ab annis teneris quibus, Deo volente, regni gubernacula suscepimus, semper in votis gessimus precipuis, ut subditi nostri, in quorum utique quiete quiescimus, in pace firmâ sub nostro regimine ponerentur. Et propterea tractatus per inclite memorie dominum E. nuper regem Anglie, avum nostrum, cum tunc adversario suo Francie inchoatos continuare fecimus, facientes adversario nostro Francie jam presenti diversas

vias pacis multociens offerri, cum detrimento non modico juris nostri ad finem, evitando subditorum nostrorum gravamina, ac justificando coram Rege regum, cui nichil est absconditum, causam nostram; et finaliter, ut nichil nobis deesset, quin pro dictâ pace habendâ poneremus ultimum posse nostrum, Johannem regem Castelle et Legionis, ducem Lancastrie, primò per se, et deinde ipsum et Thomam comitem Bukynghamie, patruos nostros carissimos, ad diversos tractatus pacis cum nonnullis aliis prelatis, proceribus, et consiliariis nostris cum potestate plenariâ fecimus destinari[1]; set pars adversarii predicti, videns prefatos patruos nostros ad omnem pacem racionabilem, prout eis injunximus, inclinatos, dictum tractatum pacis et quamplures articulos, quibus antea consenserant, per cavillaciones et subterfugia declinârunt, et tanquam aspides surde obturantes aures suas, nolentes intelligere ut bene agerentur ea, que pacis erant audire, adeo contempserunt, quod patrui dicti adversarii, duces videlicet Biturie (Berry) et Burgundie, qui soli potestatem tractandi ab eodem receperant, cum prefatis patruis nostris in loco medio inter Calesiam et Boloniam, ubi partes extiterant, primitùs convento et permisso, pro dicto tractatu, licet multociens requisiti, convenire penitus recusabant, jactantes se, ut dicitur, nedum hereditatem nostram ultramarinam set regnum nostrum Anglie se velle hostiliter invadere, et nobis locum et gentem auferre, ac totam linguam Anglicanam absque consideracione statûs, etatis, sexûs aut persone destruere, ipsumque regnum, quod absit, imbuere novâ linguâ.

Set non placeat pietati divine, quod ea nobis accidant, que minantur. Unde meritò dicere possumus, quod quesivimus pacem, et ecce turbacio; et pro tanto dileccionem vestram attentè requirimus et rogamus, quatenus prefatas inimicorum malicias induratas clero et populo vestre diocesis, exemptis et non exemptis, clarè intimari et inter eos publicari debitè faciatis, ipsos quantum vobis ex Alto permittatur inducentes, ut ad propulsandum tantam inimicorum pertinaciam in causâ regni communi et justissimum spiritum fortitudinis affirment, et pro nostrî, nostrorumque fidelium, totiusque regni salvacione et tutelâ piis apud Dominum oracionum suffragiis intercedant.

[1] The duke of Lancaster went to France early in August, 1384, and after spending there 50,000 marks, according to Walsingham (II, p. 115), brought back a truce to last till May 1 in the following year.

Teste me ipso apud Westm. xx^mo^ die Oct., anno regni nostri viij^vo^.

[207 a.] Nuncupatory will of Sir William de Wyndesore, kt.,[1] proved 19 September, 1384, before William de Cawode, vicar-general to John Bacon, archdeacon of Richmond, then in parts remote. The testator bequeathed his goods and chattels to Sir William de Meltone, Sir James de Pykeryng and Sir Walter de Stykland, kts., and John de Wyndesore, to the intent that they should pay his debts and compensate the church of Everesham (Earsham, Norfolk) for any wrong he might have done to it, and make some allowance to his servants over and above wages due, and provide in their discretion for his nephews John, Robert, Roger, William, Elias, and Peter, the sons of his deceased brother, John de Wyndesore. The three knights named above to be his executors jointly with John de Wyndesore, the elder, and to provide a year's masses for the repose of his soul.

[207 b.] Probate of same will as regards assets in the diocese.[2]—Southwark, 15 Nov., 1384.

Nuncupatory will of John Legg, serjeant at arms, made 31 May, 1384. Soul bequeathed to God, the Blessed Virgin, and all Saints, and body to be buried where it pleases God. After payment of just debts, £10 to be distributed amongst the most deserving poor; £20 to St. John Baptist's guild of tailors (fraternitati cissorum S. Johannis Baptiste); 40*s.* to dame Susan Belgrave, a nun at Rusper; 20*s.* to the sisters and patients in St. Thomas the Martyr's Hospital, Southwark; 40*s.* to the fabric of the church of Merrow; 20*s.* for a fit chaplain to sing masses for his soul and the souls of his father and mother and brothers and sisters, and of all the faithful departed for whom he was bound to pray, during three years next after his death, in Merrow church; £10 to his sister Emma; his best silver cup with lid to William de Brantyngham; residue to Brantyngham to dispose of at his pleasure, even as the testator himself would do in a similar case, for his soul's benefit. William de Brantyngham, John Kent, and Geoffrey de Newentone, executors.

[1] Husband of Alice Perrers, mistress to Edward III.

[2] See p. 253 *n.*

[208 a.] M. John de Bukyngham, canon of York, and m. John de Lydforde, canon of Exeter, commissioned to grant probate of Legg's will; and probate granted.—Southwark, 8 December, 1384.

Will of Robert Whitcherche, r. of Mapelderham (vol. i, p. 134), dated Wednesday, SS. Macarius and Marcellus (Jan. 16), 1383–4, Englished:—

I bequeath my soul to God and my body to be buried in the cloister of the chapel royal, Windsor. I bequeath to each canon attending my funeral, 12*d.*; to each vicar, 8*d.*; to each clerk, 4*d.*; to each chorister, 3*d.* I bequeath to the church of Foughlestone[1] my book of sermons (unum librum compilatum de sermonibus). I bequeath to the fabric of the church of Whitchurch, 20*s.*; to the church of Beknesfelde (Beaconsfield), 20*s.*; to m. Thomas Butiller, my silver cup gilt within and without, my best surplice, my mazer, and my best shaving cloth; to ds. John Boer, my sumpter horse, with saddle and bridle, and the choice of one of my gowns, also my silver cup with a lid; to ds. John Chapman the new gown which I lately got (quam tardiùs habui) at Sarum, and 40*s.*, if he shall act as one of my executors; to my sister Alice my bedstead with tester, of Winchester work, and a pair of sheets, also my cassock (supertunicla), and 40*s.* to divide amongst her children; to my cousin Margaret my gown of the king's livery cloth issued last year (de liberaturâ regiâ anno vj), six silver spoons, and 20*s.*; to Margaret, wife of Adam Caperon, 20*s.*, and I forgive her the money which she owes me, on condition that she prays for my soul; to my brother Thomas a pair of "platys,"[2] my pair of ponies, and a coat of mail (j jacke defensionis); to be distributed amongst the sick poor at Windsor, 50*s.*; to John Priour, my serving man, a coverlet, a tester, a pair of sheets, and 40*s.*, also my black horse with its saddle and bridle, and a scarlet gown and hood (j gowne de rubio cum capucio); to my serving man Nicholas, the couch on which I lie in the courtyard (in curiâ), and 40*s.*; to Richard, my page (garcio), my russet gown with the white hood, and 10*s.*; to refounding one of the bells at Sarum, in honour of the Holy Ghost, 20*s.*; to

[1] Fugglestone, near Salisbury. [2] Silver dishes.

my nephew Thomas, 20*s.*; to his daughter Agnes, 25*s.* And I will that the sum of £20 be expended in masses for the souls of ds. Thomas Enford and myself, I mean that 100*s.* be given to the fabric of the abbey of St. Mary super Tarent, and the rest be expended in masses and devotions (pie placaciones) at the discretion of John Boer. And I bequeath to Edmund Penston, of Sarum, 20*s.* And I will that instantly after my death a thousand masses be said. Residue to be expended in masses and other works of piety, as my executors think best. Executors, Thomas Butiller, John Chapman, and John Boer, to whom I bequeath 100*s.* for his trouble.

[208 b.] Will proved by Chapman and Boer at Esher, 27 October, 1384.

Return by John de Lydeforde, the official, and John Ketene, treasurer of Wolvesey, commissioners appointed by the bishop at the instance of ds. William Salesbury, v. of Ashley (vol. i, p. 143), to ascertain the annual value of the appropriation and the burdens on the rectory and vicarage respectively—quod prefati religiosi viri, prior et conventus de Motesfonte, percipiunt de ecclesiâ predictâ de Asshele annuatim unam porcionem decimarum maiorum [209 a] de terris dominicis ibidem proveniencium, que porcio singulis annis valere solet et valet communi estimacione, ut dicunt illi, per quos capta fuit huiusmodi inquisicio, de quorum nominibus statim dicetur, duas marcas. Item percipiunt a vicario predicto unam annuam pensionem duarum marcarum, abolim, tamen percipere consueverunt religiosi predicti a vicariis dicte ecclesie, qui pro tempore fuerunt, ut dicunt persone infrascripte, quatuor marcas, nomine annue pensionis, set porcio decimarum predicta succedit, ut dicunt, loco duarum marcarum; que tamen porcio seu decime ipse omnes et singule ad vicarium dicte ecclesie pertinere consueverunt, et jam pertinere deberent, ut dicunt, vigore ordinacionis vicarie predicte dudum edite in hâc parte.

Porciones verò vicarii, quas percipit in ecclesiâ parochiali predictâ, consistunt in omnibus aliis decimis maioribus eiusdem parochie, preter porcionem predictam, quam prefati religiosi viri percipiunt, ut prefertur; et valet porcio vicarii in decimis supradictis annuatim communi estimacione ij marcas et dimidiam, et non plus, ut dicunt.

Item consistunt in decimâ sanè totius parochie, que valet annuatim communi estimacione xx*s.*, et non plus.

Item terra seu gleba, pertinens ad dotem vicarie et ipsam vicariam, valet annuatim dimidium marce, et non ampliùs.

Item decima silve cedue, et cuiuscunque alterius decimabilis, valet iij*s.* iiij*d.*

Item in decimâ vitulorum, agnorum, et lacticinii cuiuscunque, necnon et porcellorum, aucarum, et ovorum, que modo predicto valet annuatim ix*s.* viij*d.*

Item in decimâ gardinorum, ortorum, pomorum, pirorum, et aliorum fructuum ac eciam canabi, que modo predicto valet annuatim vj*d.* Item in oblacionibus per anni circulum provenientibus, que se extendunt communibus annis ad decem solidos et non ultra, ut dicunt. Et sic summa porcionum predictarum ad dictum vicarium ibidem residentem spectancium se extendit ad quatuor *li.* iij*s.* v*d.* (*sic*).

Onera verò ordinaria et extraordinaria dictam ecclesiam de Asshele concernencia subire tenetur dictus vicarius atque subit, ut dicunt, solucione decime domino regi concesse, cum eadem levari contigerit et concedi, duntaxat exceptâ, que ad dictos religiosos viros pertinet, prout dicunt, et affirmant testes infrascripti super premissis omnibus et singulis diligenter examinatis, quorum nomina sunt ista :—Ds. Johannes Coles, perpetuus vicarius de Sombourn : ds. Johannes Kyng, oriundus apud Sombourn, capellanus : Henricus Emmot ; Johannes Golde : Johannes Mody : Johannes Yve : Johannes Bold : Galfridus Jacob : Willelmus Barlich : Henry Gardeiner : Henricus Yve et Johannes Smallberde, parochiani dicte ecclesie de Asshele . . . . . .—Winchester, 23 June, 1384.

[**209 b.**] Prior and convent monished to augment the vicarage of Ashley, which "adeo est tenuis et exilis, utputa valorem annuum iiij*li.* iij*s.* v*d.* non excedens, quod ad sustentacionem suam congruam, aliaque onera sibi incumbencia, non sufficit hiis diebus, fitque, quod idem vicarius jura episcopalia solvere et alia sibi et prefate vicarie sue incumbencia onera subire nequit, ob exilitatem reddituum."—Southwark, 2 Dec.

Commission to John de Lydeforde to proceed in the matter of the augmentation.—Esher, 12 Jan., 1384–5.

[**210 a.**] New endowment of the vicarage. The instrument recites Lydeforde's commission, and his return, which confirms the representation of the parishioners as to the annual value of the vicarage under the old endowment, which was sanctioned by bp. Audomar[1] in the year 1254, when the church was appropriated to the priory. [**210 b.**] It is now ordained that the vicar's portion shall be henceforth the tithes, great and small, and all legacies and obventions whatsoever. [**211 a.**] The pension of two marks is reduced to 10*s.*, payable at Easter.—Winchester, 9 Nov., 1384–5.

[**211 b.**] Deputation of William Wymbledone[2] as constable of Farnham :—

William par la suffrance de dieu evesq de Wyncestre, a touz ses bienvoillantz et a touz ses tenantes qi cestes lettres verront ou orront, saluz en Dieu. Sachez nouz avoir fait ordeine et establi notre cher et bien ame William Wymbeldone conestable de nostre chastell de Farnham, a garder governer et serveor mesme le chastell ove les manoirs, seignories, terres, franchises, libertes, parkes, chaces, et warennes appurtenantes a icell, et auxint a tenir noz courtes, et a persuire, chalenger, clamer, et defendre toutes les droitures et franchises appendantes et appurtenantes a nous et a nostre esglise de Wyncestre dedeinz sa dite baillie.

Et pur ceo nous prions especialement a touz noz amys et bienvoillantz, et mandons a touz noz tenantz et subgitz, qa dit William Wymbeldone es choses susdites soient eidantz, conseillantz, entendantz, et respoignantz en fesant toutes choses q a son dite office appartient en due manere.

En tesmoignance de quelle chose nos lui avons fait faire cestes noz lettres patentes sealles de notre seall, adureres a notre volunte.—Esher, 20 October, 1385.

[**212 a.**] Mandate directed to abbess[3] of St. Mary's for correction of disobedient nuns and censure of the abbess :—

[1] Otherwise Ethelmar. He was the fourth son of Queen Isabella, King John's widow, by her second husband Hugh, earl of March, and consequently a half-brother of Henry III.

[2] He was escheator for Surrey, temp. Henry V. See his pedigree, *Manning and Bray's History of Surrey*, ii, 651.

[3] Alice de la Mare, vol. i, p. 153.

Willelmus, etc., dilecte in Christo filie, abbatisse monasterii beate Marie Wyntoniensis, ordinis S. Benedicti, s. g. et b. Famâ publicâ referente ad nostrum pervenit auditum, quod moniales nonnulle monasterii predicti, non advertentes quod scribitur, *quoniam quasi peccatum ariolandi est repugnare et quasi scelus idolatrie nolle adquiescere*,[1] vobis et decanis ac ceteris obedienciariis [2] per vos debitè constitutis in hiis que observancias regulares concernunt parere seu eciam obedire non curant, set nec reverenciam debitam exhibere, quodque correpciones et correcciones a suis in eâ parte superioribus pro suis demeritis ipsis inflictas non sustinent nec suscipiunt, set vituperantes sibi mutuò et invicem altercantes huiusmodi correccionibus nullatenus adquiescunt ; alie preterea moniales ipsius vestri monasterii detraccionibus, conspiracionibus, confederacionibus, compaccionibus, obloquiis, opprobriis, vituperiis, et aliis insolenciis ac dissolucionibus, de quibus ex causâ tacemus ad presens, nequiter intendentes, regulam S. Benedicti, cui se voto astrinxerunt sollempni, et alias observancias ipsius ordinis regulares soluto miserabiliter temperancie freno negligunt et omittunt, in suarum interitum animarum.

Vos quoque, ad quam sub nobis immediatè pertinet correccio premissorum, conniventibus oculis ipsa pertransistis jam diu est incorrecta, de quo vestram prudenciam non laudamus, in anime vestre grave periculum, perniciosum exemplum et scandalum plurimorum.

Vobis igitur in virtute sancte obediencie, quâ nobis tenemini, firmiter injungendo mandamus, quatenus negligenciam in hâc parte a vobis penitus excuciendo, premissa omnia et singula, necnon excessus alios quoscunque quarumcunque monialium monasterii vestri predicti vobis juxta ordinis vestri observancias regulares, sicut et prout opus fuerit et videritis expedire, debitè corrigatis et canonicè puniatis, vestrasque sorores et moniales predictas ad vestras observancias regulares huiusmodi observandas animadversione condignâ, discrecione primâ, appellatis.

De nominibus verò monialium rebellium seu incorrigibilium in hâc parte inventis (*sic*) nos de tempore in tempus vestris literis

[1] 1 *Sam.* xv, 23.

[2] Office bearers in religious houses were so called because of their vow of obedience to the head of the house.

certificare curetis, ut nos contra personas huiusmodi nostri officii debitum exequi poterimus, sicut decet.—Southwark, 23 Nov., 1384.

Monition of nuns to obey deaconesses (decanas) and obedientiaries appointed by the abbess, under pain of excommunication:

Sacra testatur scriptura, quod *plus valet obediencia quam victima.*[1] Cum igitur obediencia sit vinum substanciale[2] professionis vestre, ad quod observandum voto vos astrinxistis sollempni, vobis omnibus et singulis in virtute obediencie ac sub maioris excommunicacionis summe penâ firmiter injungendo mandamus, quatenus abbatisse vestre, decanis, et aliis obedienciariis vestris per ipsam debitè constitutis et imposterum substituendis obedienciam et reverenciam debitam deceterò exhibere curetis, correpciones et correcciones a vestris in eâ parte superioribus, discrecione primâ, vobis inflictas, suscipientes ac sustinentes humiliter et devotè, nulli propter hoc amodo vituperantes seu invicem altercantes, dicentes, vel eciam asserentes, istas vel illas male vel nimis justè correctas seu punitas esse, set absque murmure seu rebellione aliquâ discrecioni et judicio abbatisse aliarumque obedienciariarum vestrarum cum mansuetudine debitâ in premissis, sicut decet sanctas, effectualiter obedire non tardetis; decanas vel obedienciarias aliquas, cum eas per prefatam abbatissam substitui seu prefici contigerit, pacificè admittentes, etc.—Same date.

Writ to appoint collectors of the tenth granted in 1384.[3]

Tested at Westminster, 11 Jan., 8 Ric. II.

[212 b.] Appointment of collectors: prior of Winchester cathedral, for archdeaconry of Winchester; abbot of Chertsey, for archdeaconry of Surrey.

Penitancers appointed:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio, r. ecclesie de Drokenesforde (Roger Briclesworthe, vol. i, p. 86), nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Quia *mandata celestia tunc efficaciter gerimus, dum nostra cum aliis onera parciamur*[4]; de vestris igitur discrecione et circum-

[1] 1 *Sam.* xv, 22. [2] The essence.

[3] In the parliament held at Martinmas, 1384, "nichil dignum memoriâ fuit actum, preter illud, quod sedulò actitabatur extorcio, videlicet pecunie de clero et communi plebe, ad sustentacionem inutilis werre regalis."—*Wals.* ii, 17.

[4] *Gal.* vi, 2.

speccionis industriâ plenam in Domino fiduciam optinentes, ad audiendum confessiones quorumcunque subditorum nostrorum peccata sua vobis in foro penitenciali confiteri volencium, et huiusmodi confitentibus, prout secundum Deum expedire videritis, penitencias imponendum salutares, atque absolucionis beneficium imponendum eisdem, eciam in casibus nobis a jure seu Constitucionibus reservatis, absolucione tamen corruptorum sanctimonialium, necnon injiciencium manus violentas in clericos usque ad sanguinis effusionem, ac violatorum et subtractorum jurium, libertatum, seu immunitatum ecclesie nostre Wyntonie nobis specialiter reservatâ, vobis tenore presencium committimus vices nostras, hinc ad festum Pentecostes proximè futurum tantummodo duraturum.—Farnham, 12 Feb., 1384–5.

Other appointments :—F. Michael, canon of Merton and vicar of East Meon ; f. John Borard, canon of Christchurch Twynham and rector of Elvetham. Et ds. Ricardus, capellanus de Farneborough, habuit eciam literam consimilem, " excepto eciam vicio contra naturam."

Dispensation super quarto affinitatis gradu granted to Henry Holte and wife [1] :—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis Henrico Holte et Elizabeth Heyghes, mulieri, s. g. et b. Literas [illegible] Christo patris, etc., recepimus, tenorem qui sequitur con[illegible]nent[illegible] :—

Urbanus episcopus, servus ser[illegible] Dei, venerabili fratri episcopo Wyntoniensi salutem et apostolicam benediccionem. Oblate nobis nuper pro parte dilecti filii Henrici Holte, laici, et dilecte in Christo filie Elizabeth Heyghes, mulieris, tue Wyntoniensis diocesis, peticionis series continebat, quod olim ipsi ignorantes aliquid impedimentum inter eos existere, quominus invicem possent matrimonialiter copulari, bannis non editis, testibus tamen adhibitis, matrimonium per verba legitimè de presenti invicem contraxerunt, carnali inter eos copulâ subsecutâ ; quodque postmodum ad eorum pervenit noticiam, quod ipsi quarto affinitatis gradu invicem conjuncti.

[1] Before 32 Hen. viii, c. 38, the act setting forth the degrees of marriage prohibited by God's laws, other prohibitions were recognised in England, the dispensation whereof the Roman Court always reserved to itself, as, for instance, in kindred and affinity between cousin Germans, and so to the fourth degree.—2 *Inst.*, p. 683. *Phill. Eccl. Law*, 571.

Cum autem, sicut eadem peticio subjungebat, ipsi in huiusmodi matrimonio sic contracto legitimè remanere nequeant, dispensacione super hoc apostolicâ non obtentâ, et si divorcium fieret inter eos, gravia exinde damna et scandala possent exoriri, pro parte ipsorum Henrici et Elizabeth fuit nobis humiliter supplicatum, ut providere eis super hoc de oportune dispensacionis graciâ dignaremur.

Nos igitur, qui libenter, quantum cum Deo possumus, fidelium damnis et scandalis obviamus, fraternitati tue, de quâ in aliis specialem in domino fiduciam optinemus, per apostolica scripta committimus et mandamus, quatenus, si est ita, dictaque Elizabeth propter hoc rapta non fuerit, cum eisdem Henrico et Elizabeth, ut impedimento, quod ex affinitate huiusmodi provenit, non obstante, in huiusmodi matrimonio sic contracto licitè remanere valeant, auctoritate apostolicâ dispenses, prolem ex huiusmodi matrimonio susceptam et suscipiendam legitimam decernendo. Dat. Neapoli[1] apud maiorem ecclesiam Neapolitanensem, viij Kal. April., pontificatûs nostri sexto.

Post quarum recepcionem literarum, quia per inquisicionem diligentem super omnibus et singulis articulis in supradictis literis apostolicis contentis per nos factam, sugesta et narrata in eisdem, servatis in hâc parte de jure servandis, comperimus veritate fulciri, quod ne tu, dicta Elizabeth, propter hoc rapta non fueras, ut, impedimento non obstante predicto, in huiusmodi matrimonio sic contracto licitè remanere valeatis, auctoritate apostolicâ supradictâ tenore presencium dispensamus, prolem ex ipso matrimonio susceptam et suscipiendam eâdem auctoritate legitimam decernentes.

In quorum omnium testimonium has literas nostras patentes per notarios nostros infrascriptos scribi et publicari mandavimus, easque nostri sigilli appensione fecimus communiri.—Farnham, 14 Feb., 1384–5.

[213 a.] Presentation of Stephen Quyntyn, r. of Westbury, dio. Heref., to r. of Ivinghoe, on exch. with Richard de Medeforde. —Esher, 12 Jan.

Grant by sir Bernard Brocas,[2] John Chitterne, clk., Peter Goolde, William Hermite, and Henry Holte, to the prior

[1] The pope retired to Naples in 1383 — *Wals.* ii, 105.

[2] See note, p. 280.

(Richard Nowell) and convent of Southwick, of five acres arable and three acres of meadow with the appurtenances in Southwick, together with the manors of Hoo and Havyngtone with their appurtenances, except the lands, tenements, suits, and services of their free tenants and bondmen in Prallingworth, and except William de Hoo and John Knappe, bondmen of the manor of Hoo, with their respective issue (sequele), to hold the said land and manors, except as above excepted, in free alms, on condition of finding a chaplain to say one mass daily at the altar of SS. Katherine and Mary Magdalen on the north side of the chancel of the priory church for King Richard and sir Bernard Brocas and Katherine his wife, so long as each of them should live, and for the soul of each of them after death; and for the souls of [**213 b.**] King Edward III and Mary, sir Bernard's deceased wife, his brothers, sisters, and benefactors, and all the faithful departed; and on condition of doing other works of piety, that is to say, the prior and his successors were to pay one penny to the canon who should say the mass, 100*s.* for celebrating the obit of sir Bernard and his wife on the eve of the Annunciation with placebo and dirige and bells tolled, and again on the eve of St. Michael the Archangel and the feast of St. Mary Magdalen, and 6*s.* 8*d.* for distribution amongst the brethren on each of these three days. And the prior and convent bound themselves to the bishop in the penalty of £10 to perform the said conditions, and pledged themselves to sir Bernard to perform them, and that they should be read aloud every year on those three days at chapter meetings.

Attested by sir Maurice Bruyn, kt., John de Uvedale, John Champflour, Richard Danvers, Andrew Dene, and others, at Southwick, 1 March, 1384–5.

[**213 b.**] Publication of archbishop's mandate, dated at Exminster, 3 March, 1384–5, summoning clergy to convocation at St. Paul's on Thursday, the morrow of the Invention of the Holy Cross, pursuant [**214 a**] to writ dated 24 Feb., 8 Ric. II.—Wickham, 24 March.

[**214 b.**] Return dated Farnham, 5 April, 1385.

Commission directed to William Piers, chancellor of Exeter, to absolve William Burgeys from the penalty of the greater

excommunication which he had incurred by administering the Holy Eucharist to a parishioner of Farringdon without the leave of the rector[1]—quod ipse, tanquam simplex et juris ignarus, cuidam Johanni Catour, laico, parochiano pro tempore ecclesie parochialis de Farendone, nostre diocesis, infra parochiam predictam absque licenciâ rectoris seu capellani parochialis ecclesie predicte sacramentum eukaristie ministravit, maioris excommunicacionis summam in eâ parte latam a canone incurrendo. Cum igitur, sicut asserit, idem canonicus ad sedem apostolicam pro absolucionis beneficio in hoc casu obtinendo propter viarum pericula et discrimina et alia impedimenta legitima accedere non poterat de presenti, nobis humiliter supplicavit, quatenus sibi de oportuno remedio in hâc parte providere debitè curaremus: Ad audiendum dicti f. Willelmi impedimentum huiusmodi, et, si ipsa legitima inveneritis, juxta canonicas sancciones in hâc parte editas absolvendum eundem, vobis. . . . vices nostras committimus.—Farnham, 10 April, 1385.

[215 a.] Mandate directed by Cosmo Gentili, the nuncio, to the bishop to enforce payment of first fruits and procurations, namely:—

Godalming, on provision to Cardinal James de Ursinis.
Burstow, „ „ „ Walter Bradeweye.
Widley, „ „ „ William, son of Sir Thos. Batisforde, kt.
Sutton „ „ „ Thomas Crundale.
Tweford, on union with St. Mary's abbey.
Hambledon, on provision to William Welles.
Abbot of Waverley and prior of Selborne, for procurations of 1383–4.
[215 b.] Abbots of Chertsey and Quarr, and priors of St. Denys, Southwyk, Selborne, Andover, and Tandridge, for procuration of 1384.
Archdeacons of Winchester and Surrey for Peter pence of 1384.
Abbot of Chertsey for an annual payment (census) of 1384.

Mandate to archdeacon of Winchester to execute above commission.—Farnham, 14 April, 1385.

[216 a.] Return, dated Esher, 12 May. Burstow is not in the bishop's diocese but a peculiar of the archbishop in the deanery of Croydon. There is no such church as Tweford in

[1] By archbp. Peckham's constitutions, A.D. 1281, no priest shall give the sacrament to one of another parish, unless in extreme danger.—*Gibs.*, 385.

the diocese, as the nuncio has often been informed. There is a church called Twyford, but it has been time out of mind appropriated to St. Cross Hospital, and was never united to St. Mary's Abbey. The remaining benefices and dignities have been sequestrated, and the holders have been monished.

[215 b.] Mandate directed by Cosmo Gentili, the nuncio, to get in contributions towards the expenses of the crusade of Henry, bp. of Norwich, against the antipope (see p. 198).—London, 8 March, 1384–5.

[216 a.] Mandate for the sequestration of tithe in dispute between rectors of Fawley and Dibden, pending a trial of the right.—Southwark, 5 May, 1385.

Monition directed to John Norton, chancellor of Sarum, to repair Greywell chapel :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio decano de Basyngestoke, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Querelam incolarum seu inhabitancium villatam de Greywelle infra parochiam de Odyham, dicte nostre diocesis, nostris auribus sepiùs inculcatam gravem recepimus, continentem, quod in villatâ predictâ de Greywelle esse consuevit ab antiquo et est quedam capella rite et legitimè dedicata, ac sufficienter dotata, insignia parochialia optinens, ab ecclesiâ matrice de Odyham predictâ dependens, que ecclesia cum capellâ predictâ et aliis ipsius ecclesie juribus et pertinenciis universis, ac omnibus eisdem ecclesie et capelle incumbentibus, dignitati cancellarie cathedralis Sarum et cancellario eiusdem, qui pro tempore fuerit, dicitur fuisse et esse appropriata, unita, eciam et annexa, refeccioque et reparacio chori et cancelli capelle predicte in muris, fenestris, ac cooperturâ eorundem chori et cancelli, quociens necessitas monebat aut monet, ad cancellarios predictos, qui pro tempore fuerint, et ad magistrum Johannem Nortone, dicte ecclesie cathedralis Sarum cancellarium modernum, tam de jure quam de consuetudine antiquâ legitimè, ut asseritur, prescriptâ, pertinere consuevit et debet; quodque prefatus m. Johannes Nortone, cancellarius predictus, predictam capellam, cancellum, et chorum ad presens multimodis reparacionibus circa premissa notoriè indigentes, in tantum quod nec misse nec alia divina officia poterunt in eâdem capellâ aut choro eiusdem

debitè, ut deberent, celebrari, reficere, reparare, seu refici et reparari facere non curavit nec curat, set distulit et differt, ac recusavit ac recusat minus justè, ad hoc tamen faciendum per partem dictorum incolarum sepius congruis loco et tempore requisitus, super quo incolarum predictorum a nobis petiit eis de oportuno remedio provideri.

Vobis igitur firmiter injungendo mandamus, etc.—Same date.

Mandate for sequestration of the church of Fetcham until the rector should clear himself on certain charges.—Esher, 10 May, 1385.

Mandate directed to dean of Guildford to sequestrate the tithe on a field known as Anneysdenne until a dispute as to the ownership of the tithe between the rectors of Shere and Abinger should be decided.—*Ib.*, 26 June.

[217a.] Appointment of collectors of the second moiety of the tenth granted 9 December, 1384; prior of Winchester Cathedral for archdeaconry of Winchester and abbot of Chertsey for archdeaconry of Surrey, at Southwark, 20 June, 1385, pursuant to writ dated 12 June; and return of names of collectors to Exchequer, dated at Farnham, 19 July.

Mandate directed to archdeacon of Surrey for prayers to be said for peace throughout the archdeaconry; with a promise of forty days indulgence[1]:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto suo filio archidiacono, etc., s. g. et b.

Terribilis super filios hominum Deus, cuius nutibus subduntur omnia, sue voluntatis imperio, quos diligit, arguit et castigat, variisque flagiciorum et tempestatum generibus quandoque punit temporaliter, ut eos eternaliter non condempnet. Et hoc siquidem regnum Anglie guerrarum discriminibus per ipsius substanciam diviciarum exhauriunt et consumunt, et aliis multis miseriis propter superbias et abusiones incolarum invalescentes plus solitò, ac peccata eorum immania, multis temporibus turbatum extitit ac afflictum, et per pestilencias ac diversa genera tempestatum, que jam diu in aliis regnis dolenter efferbuerant,

[1] At this time the king of France was believed to be preparing to invade England. A rumour that six hundred ships were ready at Sluys caused no small stir in England, and led to the bishop of Hereford being sent to treat of peace.—*Walsingham*, ii, 127.

dubitatur deprimi, nisi misericors Dominus, ad fidelium partes conversus, iram contineat ac misericordie recordetur.

Quocirca vobis et cuilibet vestrûm in virtute obediencie, ac sub maioris excommunicacionis summe penâ, firmiter injungendo mandamus, quatenus omnibus et singulis abbatibus, prioribus, rectoribus, vicariis, et aliis ecclesiarum curatis archidiaconatûs predicti sub penâ excommunicacionis maioris, quam in non penitentes mandatis nostris presentibus intendimus fulminare, cum omni celeritate possibili, auctoritate nostrâ firmiter injungatis et efficaciter inducatis, ut ipsorum singuli suos subditos et parochianos inducant et moneant sollicitè, quatenus universi piis oracionum suffragiis Altissimum interpellant, ipsique curati et alii in sacerdocio constituti missas celebrent, in quibus oraciones subscripte specialiter adiciant atque dicant, processionesque solempnes singulis quartis et sextis feriis faciant et fieri procurent, aliaque pie placacionis officia exerceant humiliter et devotè, ut Deus noster Omnipotens, eorum [**217 b.**] precibus complacatus, pacem nobis tribuat, populum Anglicanum de tribulacionibus huiusmodi eripiat, sueque gregis prestet auxilium suâ ineffabili pietate.

Et ut mentes fidelium ad premissa propensiùs excitentur, omnibus parochianis nostris de peccatis suis verè contritis et confessis, pro premissis missas celebrantibus ac processiones huiusmodi facientibus, aut ipsis processionibus vel missis devotè interessentibus et orantibus, quadraginta dies indulgencie concedimus per presentes (for the special prayers, see p. 334).—Southwark, 10 June, 1385.

Feast of the dedication of the church of Chilbolton, changed from 23 August to 4 October :—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis rectori et parochianis ecclesie de Chilbaltone, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Oblate nobis vestre peticionis series continebat, quod cum festum dedicacionis ecclesie supradicte in vigiliâ festi S. Bartholomei, tempore verò messium notoriè contingente, fuerit aliàs institutum, quo tempore propter occupaciones circa messes et alias res familiares varias tunc plurimùm contingentes, vos dictum festum non poteritis debitè celebrare, quin potius nonnulla inter vos ex more dicto tempore improvidè committuntur, per que scandala et pericula

proveniunt animarum, ipsum dedicacionis festum in quartam diem mensis Octobris tunc proximè secuturi transferre ac in ipsâ die quartâ perpetuis futuris temporibus devociùs celebrandum instituere dignaremur; Nos igitur, vestre devocionis precibus favorabiliter inclinati, prefatum dedicacionis festum a vigiliâ S. Bartholomei predicti in diem quartam mensis Octobris supradicti ex causis premissis, et ut ipsum festum comodiùs et festiviùs tunc valeat et convenit celebrari, transferimus presencium per tenorem; statuentes, ac firmiter injungentes, ut idem dedicacionis festum in ipsâ die quartâ mensis Octobris perpetuis futuris temporibus per rectores et parochianos ipsius ecclesie, qui pro tempore fuerint, festivè ac sollempniter celebretur. Et ut mentes fidelium, etc. (promise of forty days indulgence).—Farnham, 7 July, 1385.

Monition of certain who burned Robert Chesenhale's boundary-fence—qui quandam sepem sive hayam terras suas in campis de Estyndone[1] jacentes claudentem, sive terras ipsas a terris alienis separantem, in casu a jure non proviso, igne suposito, combusserunt, et pro magnâ parte noctanter destruxerunt, nequiter et injustè, in suarum periculum animarum, etc., on complaint of Robert Chesenhale of Guildford.—*Ib.*, 1 August.

[218 a.] Licenses of non-residence granted for one year to Robert Ede, r. of Ashstead (vol. i, p. 133), on condition of rebuilding the house, which had been destroyed by fire, out of the profits of the rectory, at instance of sir Baldwin Berforde, kt.; and to Richard Branketre, r. of Broughton, at instance of sir John Sandes, kt.—*Ib.*, 28 April.

Preacher's license granted to ds. Thomas Wymbeldone, chaplain to sir John Sandes, kt.:—

Willelmus, etc. . . . . ad exercendum predicacionis officium, et proponendum verbum Dei in ecclesiis quibuscunque nostre diocesis, temporibus ad hoc congruis et consuetis, horis illis, in quibus ecclesiarum rectores et vicarii, ad quorum ecclesias te ex causâ premissâ contigerit declinare, predicare voluerint, dumtaxat exceptis, licenciam tibi concedimus tenore presencium

[1] Probably Ostend, on the border of Pirbright Common. It may be supposed that Chisenhale had enclosed a portion of the common contrary to the will of the commoners. See a similar case, p. 235.

specialem : inhibentes tamen tibi expressè, ne aliquas conclusiones hereticas seu erroneas, que statum nostre ecclesie Wyntoniensis et tranquillitatem nostrorum subditorum subvertere poterunt asseras seu predices,[1] publicè vel occultè, prout ad hoc astringeris ex debito juramenti quovismodo ; presentibus per unum annum dumtaxat duraturis.—Southwark, 28 April, 1385.

Acquittance to prior of Reygate for 60*s.*, being the pension due out of Dorking church for the years 1382–3–4.—*Ib.*, 14 June.

Administration of the goods of Victor de Male, dyer, of Southwark, granted to William Weston his executor.—Esher, 25 May, 1385.

Rector of St. Michael's, Jewry Street, Winchester, sworn to get by heart the Creed, the Ten Commandments, and other things which a minister ought to know :—

Memorandum, quod xxiiij^to^ die mensis Junii, A.D. MCCCLXXXV, Rogerus Dene (vol. i, p. 154), rector ecclesie S. Michaelis in civitate Wyntoniensi, juravit scire infra annum proximè sequentem articulos fidei, casus reservatos episcopo, decem precepta decolagi (*sic*) septem opera misericordie, septem mortalia peccata, sacramenta ecclesie, et formam ipsa ministrandi et conficiendi, ac eciam formam baptizandi, etc., prout continetur in constitucione Pecham[2] in hâc parte editâ, sub penâ xl*s.* elemosinarie domini applicandorum.

Dene's oath recorded ; and oath to like effect of John Corbet, r. of Bradley (vol i, p. 154).

License granted to Edmund Halstede to have mass said in the chapel within the graveyard of St. Thomas the Martyr's Hospital, Southwark, until the fifteen days of St. Michael.—Esher, 2 July, 1385.

Henry de Popham, lord of Popham, licensed to choose his own confessor.—Farnham, 1 August, 1385.

[**218 b.**] Certificate of livery of seisin to John Ticheborne on coming of age[3] :—

[1] See p. 340.

[2] Archbishop Peckham's Constitution *Ignorantia sacerdotum* A.D. 1279.—*Gibs.*, p. 321.

[3] This young man's estate was held of the see of Winchester by the tenure of knight service, and had been in the hands of the bishop, as guardian in chivalry, during his minority.—*Co. Litt.* 97a.

Nos, Willelmus, etc. Notum facimus universis, quod dilectus in Christo filius Johannes Ticheborne, filius et heres domini Johannis Ticheborne, militis defuncti, per cuius mortem dicti Johannis maritagium et custodia, necnon custodia omnium terrarum et tenementorum que prefatus Johannes Ticheborne, miles, dum vixit, de nobis tenuit in capite, racione minoris etatis dicti Johannis filii sui ad nos de jure ecclesie nostre Wyntoniensis pertinuit et pertinere deberet, in festo Epiphanie Domini ultimo jam preterito coram nobis, cuius spiritualiter interest in hâc parte, comparens personaliter, se vicesimum primum etatis sue annum finaliter complevisse testibus fidedignis probavit legitimè atque rite. Unde nos omnia et singula, que ad manus nostras seu custodiam nostram racione minoris etatis ipsius Johannis devenerant, eidem Johanni fecimus dicto die integraliter liberari, cum suis juribus et pertinenciis universis.—Esher, 8 January, 8 Ric. II.

Mandate directed to the archdeacon of Winchester for prayers to be said for the king's expedition to Scotland[1] pursuant to the following circular from the Archbishop:—

Willelmus, permissione divinâ archiepiscopus Cantuariensis, etc., venerabili fratri nostro domino Roberto, Dei graciâ episcopo Londoniensi, salutem et fraternam in Domino caritatem.

Inclinatum regnum Anglie, quod olim misericors Dominus gracie sue splendore cum pacis gaudio visitavit, procurante pacis emulo, sic jam undique per comminatas et paratas inimicorum insidias guerrarum horroribus conturbari conspicimus, quod, nisi superne virtutis assistencia ultra terrenam potenciam succurratur eidem, de ipsius regni et ecclesie anglicane subversione verisimiliter est timendum.

Cum itaque nobilissimus princeps et dominus noster dominus Ricardus, Dei graciâ Rex Anglie illustris, pro conservacione et tuicione regni et ecclesie predictorum ac regii juris sui, que tam Francorum quam Scotorum pertinacia nititur contra justiciam impugnare, versus partes Scocie, ubi magnus inimicorum exercitus ad invadendum dictum regnum hostiliter congregatur, cum suis proceribus et gentibus direxerit gressus suos:

Nos qui ac ceteri regnicole sui, eos precipuè qui non

[1] He crossed the border in August.—*Wals.* ii, 131.

solum pro tocius regni salute, prosperitate, et pace labores et agones subeunt corporales, set et animas suas exhibent et exponunt, apud Altissimum devotis oracionum suffragiis commendare, ex caritatis vinculo sumus astricti, vestre fraternitati committimus et mandamus, quatenus omnibus et singulis fratribus et coepiscopis ecclesie nostre Cantuariensis suffraganeis cum eâ celeritate quâ poteritis injungatis, ut ipsi in suis et aliis suarum civitatum et diocesium ecclesiis subditos suos clericos et laicos moneant et inducant, quodque dicti domini nostri regis, eiusque exercitûs felici expedicioni et paci ecclesie et regni, in missis, sermonibus, et processionibus eâ de causâ frequenciùs et fervenciùs, et potissimè quibuslibet quartis et sextis feriis faciendo, Altissimo oracionibus devotis et assiduis interpellant; vosque hec fieri in vestris civitate et diocesi faciatis.

Et ut fidelium mentes ad tante devocionis opera propensiùs excitentur, etc. Dat. in castro nostro de Saltwode, xij^{mo} Julii.

The bishop of London's circular is dated Hatcham, 20 July, and the bishop of Winchester's mandate to the archdeacon is dated Farnham, 7 Kal. Aug.

[219 a.] Penance imposed on a priest for marrying two persons not of his parish[1]:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto in Christo filio decano nostro Suthamptone, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Cum nos domino Johanni Woderchall, presbytero, absolucionis beneficium a quibuscunque suspensionis et excommunicacionis summis, quas per canones papales nec non constituciones provinciales in hâc parte proinde latas et debitè promulgatas incurrebat pro eo, quod ipse matrimonium inter alios quam suos parochianos, videlicet Thomam Middeltone de parochiâ Sancte Crucis de Suthamptone predictâ et quandam Thomasinam, mulierem, de parochiâ Sancti Michaelis de eâdem, nostros notoriè subditos, de facto, ut dicitur, contractum, sine nostrâ aut alterius rectorum ecclesiarum predictarum licenciâ, edicione bannorum non premissâ juxta juris formam in hâc parte requisitam, clandestinè infra noctis tenebras et aliàs multipliciter illicitè solempnizare presumpsit, impendi fecerimus, recepto primitùs ab eodem Johanne de satis-

[1] Under archbp. Stratford's constitution *Humana Concupiscentia*, A.D. 1342, priests marrying any other than parishioners incurred the greater excommunication.—*Gibs.*, p. 430.

faciendo partibus in hâc parte gravatis pro injuriâ eis per eum allatâ, ac de fideliter peragendo penitenciam infrascriptam, juramento tactis per eum sacrosanctis evangeliis corporali, sibique injunxerimus pro delictis predictis penitenciam inter alia subscriptam citra festum S. Michaelis proximè futurum fideliter peragendum, videlicet, quod idem ds. Johannes suppellicio superiùs indutus cum coronâ et tonsurâ ordini suo convenientibus et decentibus diebus quatuor dominicis seu aliis solempnibus et festivis a se distantibus, binis videlicet vicibus in utrâque ecclesiâ predictâ, procedet processiones ob hanc causam in eisdem ecclesiis solempniter faciendas, gestando in manu suâ unum cereum pondere unius libre cere; et cum ecclesiam huiusmodi fuerit ingressus, factâ prius processione circa eandem, ut prefertur, ad fontem baptismalem in eâdem, dum missa magna et alta in eâ celebratur, dicet devotè unum Nocturnum de psalterio, vel maius vel minus, prout tempus pacietur, donec legatur seu decantetur in eâdem missâ offertorium, quo facto seu decantato, idem ds. Johannes humiliter accedet ad ymaginem, in cuius honorem ipsa ecclesia fuerit dedicata, et dictâ coram ipsâ privatè quinquies prius *Pater Noster* et *Salutacione Angelicâ* per eundem, dictum cereum offeret ymagini supradicte:

Vobis igitur committimus et mandamus, quatenus prefatum dominum Johannem publicè vocetis, ut penitenciam peragat, ut prefertur, supradictam; exponentes publicè in ecclesiis predictis seu facientes exponi in vulgari causam quare sibi penitenciam imposuimus predictam.

Et quid feceritis, etc.—Southwark, 21 August, 1385.

Certificate of absolution in same matter.—Farnham, 9 September, 1385.

Appointment of visitors of New College, Oxford:—

Willelmus, permissione divinâ Wyntoniensis episcopus, Collegii Sancte Marie Wynton. in Oxoniâ fundator pariter et patronus, dilectis nobis in Christo venerabilibus viris, mm. Thome de Southam, archidiacono Oxon. in ecclesiâ Lincolniensi, ac Nicholao de Wykeham, archidiacono Wiltes in ecclesiâ Sarum, salutem in amplexibus Salvatoris. Relacione fidedignorum auditâ, stupor non modicus invasit subitò mentem nostram, dum in vineâ nostrâ, quam plantavimus, deficientibus

vineis succrescant labrusce,[1] palmites quoque, quas sperabamus fructiferas, amaricato germine, in spuria vitulamina convertantur. Accepimus namque tale inter scolares nostri Collegii supradicti, qui de nostrâ vivunt elemosinâ, corrupcionis piaculum irrepsisse, quod ipsi, sue condicionis et quietis proprie paulisper obliti, generis ad genus, nobilitatis ad ignobilitatem, sciencie ad scienciam, facultatis ad facultatem, patrie ad patriam, et alias comparaciones, que odiose sunt,[2] faciunt insolenter, contra doctrinam apostoli acceptores personarum effecti; alii quâdam preterea supersticione prophanâ colla sua in sublime alterius erigentes, dum refeccionis graciâ conveniunt, *ad mensam sibi vendicant loca prima*[3] preceptum Dominicum minimè amplectentes, dicentis, *Qui maior est inter vos, fiat sicut junior, et qui processor, sicut minister.*[4] Nonnulli quoque ipsorum insolenciis aliis quas memorare non decet, set nec committere licet, a vere virtutis tramite deviantes exhibent se frequenter, unde in ipso nostro Collegio inter scolares predictos dissensiones, contenciones, et scandala oriuntur, et, quod dolenter referimus, que nostre mentis intencio Dei paravit ad gloriam tendunt ad noxam. Ex quibus divina provocatur maiestas, dictumque nostrum Collegium, utpote in suis membris nequiter viciatum, grave patitur detrimentum, in perniciosum exemplum et scandalum plurimorum.

Nolentes itaque dictum nostrum Collegium tantis fedari maculis, quin potiùs cupientes firmissimè, ut omnis ab ipso eliminetur spurcicia, quodque scolares predicti, viciorum sentibus extirpatis, virtutibus illustrentur, doctrinis sacris efficaciter adhereant, et milicie clericali; ad inquirendum igitur tam in genere quam in specie de et super criminibus et excessibus omnium et singulorum scolarium nostri Collegii memorati, et quos in

[1] Wild grapes. *Is.* v, 4.

[2] "Comparisons are odious," a favourite saying of the bishop. This clause follows Rubric XV of his statutes for New College, entitled, *De juramento scolarium admittendorum in Collegium Oxon. ad annos probacionis*, where a form of oath to be taken by probationer-fellows on admission is set forth, containing the following passage:—Item, quod non ero detractor, susurro, seu faciens obloquia, aut provocans odium, iram, discordias, invidiam, contumelias, rixas, vel jurgia, aut speciales vel precellentes prerogativas nobilitatis, generis, scienciarum, facultatum, aut diviciarum allegans, necnon inter socios eorundem Collegiorum, aut alios Universitatis Oxonie scolares australes, aquilonares, seu boreales, aut scienciarum, ad sciencias, facultatum ad facultates, patrie ad patriam, generis ad genus, nobilitatis ad nobilitatem vel ad ignobilitatem, seu alias qualitercunque comparaciones, que odiose sunt, in verbo, vel facto, causâ commovendi maliciosè socios vel scolares, aut sciencias aliquas, faciam tacitè vel expressè. Almost the same words occur in the form of oath to be taken by Winchester scholars on attaining the age of fifteen years.

[3] *Matt.* xxiii, 6; *Mark* xii, 39; *Luke* xx, 46.

[4] *Mark* x, 43, 44.

premissis, aut eorum aliquo, vel aliis excessibus gravibus seu criminibus culpabiles reperitis, ipsos cuiuscunque gradûs, statûs, vel condicionis existant, a dicto nostro Collegio pro perpetuo expellendos, nisi de ipsorum correccione celeri et morum in eâ parte reformacione salubri spes fuerit a vobis signanter apparuerit, tunc enim excessus huiusmodi et crimina, sicut pro ipsius honore ac conservacione statûs dicti Collegii videritis expedire, corrigendum et acriùs puniendum: cetera insuper, que in ipso nostro Collegio reformacione indigent, debitè reformandum, [**219 b.**] omniaque alia et singula, que in premissis et circa ea necessaria fuerint vel quomodolibet oportuna, cum eorum incidentibus, emergentibus, dependentibus, et connexis faciendum et eciam exercendum, vobis, de quorum fidelitate, consciencie puritate, ac circumspeccionis industriâ plenè confidimus, tenore presencium committimus vices nostras, cum cohercionis et execucionis in hâc parte debite potestate.—Farnham, 28 Sept., 1385.

Ds. John Newman, pr., was charged with laying violent hands on ds. John Maundevill, pr.; and William Fyfard, of Meonstoke, was charged with laying violent hands on f. John Fyncham. Commission granted to Ralph Basyngge, a monk of Winchester cathedral, and m. Thomas Boys, provost of St. Elizabeth's college, "ad inquirendum de veritate premissorum, necnon de modo et formâ ac qualitate sceleris perpetrati, violenciâque, ac aliis circumstanciis universis, et absolvendum eosdem in formâ juris, examinatâ prius sceleris huiusmodi qualitate, si absolvendi potestatem ad nos in hoc casu de jure, noveritis pertinere seu aliàs, juxta capitulum *Eos qui*,[1] factisque primitùs per eosdem injuriantes partibus lesis sufficientibus emendis, ac injunctâ eis pro modo culpe et enormitate delictorum penitenciâ salutari."—Farnham, 2 October.

[**220 a.**] Publication of archbishop's mandate, dated at Maghfelde,[2] 28 September, 1385, summoning clergy to convocation at St. Paul's on Monday, 6 November, pursuant to writ dated 3 September, 9 Ric. II.—*Ib.*, 13 October.

[**220 b.**] Mandate directed to prior of Southwick, forbidding the sale of corrodies.[3]

[1] Decretals, Sexti Book V, tit. xi, p. ccxxxvi.

[2] Mayfield in Sussex, where the archbishops had a palace, which is now a convent of the Sacred Heart.

[3] See as to this way of raising money, *Obedientiary Rolls of St. Swithun's, Winchester*, Introduction, p. 23.

Willelmus, etc., dilecto in Christo filio priori prioratûs de Suthwyk, nostrorum patronatûs et diocesis, s. g. et b. Quia nonnulli abbates et priores cupiditatis ardore, qui eorum corda vehementer inflammat, interveniente precio, plus personis propriis quam suis ecclesiis consulentes, ad certum tempus, seu ad vitam illorum, quibus fit concessio, jura, redditus, possessiones, liberaciones, et corrodia multociens vendiderunt ac eciam concesserunt, ex quibus evenit et evenire frequenciùs consuevit, ut in ecclesiis monasticis et prioratibus huiusmodi, per huiusmodi vendiciones et concessiones gravatis, numerus eorum, qui ipsis ecclesiis in divinis servire deberent, ad quorum sustentacionem huiusmodi bona sunt ab ipsorum monasteriorum et prioratuum fundatoribus et aliis Christi fidelibus specialiter assignata, minuitur indebitè, ac ecclesie monastice et prioratus huiusmodi serviciis debitis defraudantur, et mala quam gravia paciebantur, in ipsorum animarum periculum, dictorumque monasteriorum, prioratuum, et ecclesiarum grave prejudicium et scandalum manifestum.

Ea propter sacrarum canonum conditores, et alii sancti patres, vendicionem et concessionem monasteriorum et prioratuum huiusmodi fecerant,[1] et aliarum administracionum regularium dispendiis in hâc parte occurrere, ac vicium supradictum extirpare providè cupientes, per diversa eorum statuta penalia districciùs inhibuerunt, ne quis religiosus monasteriis, prioratibus, seu administracionibus quibuslibet presidentes jura, redditus, possessiones, libertates, et corrodia clericis vel laicis venderent, aut gratis concederent imperpetuum, vel ad tempus, nisi vigens necessitas hoc exposceret, et loci diocesani ad id prius consensus accederet et assensus; contrarium verò facientibus, et contra id attemptata non revocantibus, penam suspensionis ab officio ipso jure infligentes.

Nosque ecclesiam vestram et prioratum nuper, prout nostro incumbebat officio pastorali, debitè visitantes, ut inter vos corrigenda reformaremus salubriter, ut tenemur, considerantes, quod plus timeri solet, quod specialiter injungitur, quam quod generaliter imperatur, quia inter alia reformanda predecessorum vos et predecessores vestros in premissis delinquisse comperimus dictorum conditorum sacrorum canonum et aliorum sanctorum patrum statutis et constitucionibus in habendo omnes et omnimodas vendiciones et concessiones huiusmodi jurium, reddituum,

[1] A word omitted here.

possessionum, liberacionum, et corrodiorum huiusmodi prioratûs predicti, ut ipsius dispendia cauciùs evitentur, vobis inhibuimus ore tenus et interdiximus expressè, quod tamen, ut intelleximus, canonum predictorum precepto atque nostro huiusmodi mandato contempto et spreto observare actenus (*sic*) non curâstis, set nobis in consultis contrarium facere presumpsistis, notam contemptûs et inobediencie in hâc parte temerè incurrendo.

Vobis igitur iterato tenore presencium in virtute obediencie ac sub penâ juris predicti injungimus et mandamus, etc.—Farnham, 24 October, 1385.

Probate of will of Sir Laurence St. Martin, kt., dated on the Sunday next after Holy Cross, 33 Ed. III, granted at Southwark, 23 January, 1385–6 to the executors, Sir William de St. Martin, John Dekene, and Simon Berwyk.

[**221 a.**] Confessor's license granted to m. Thomas Boys, provost of St. Elizabeth's College.—Esher, 17 March, 1385–6.

License granted to Alexander, r. of North Chardeforde (Charford), to confess Sir John Southe, kt., and dame Margaret his wife, and their tenants at South Charford, and to officiate in the chapel there, saving the rights of the parish church.—Bishop's Sutton, 4 April, 1386.

[**221 b.**] Indulgence *super quarto affinitatis gradu* in a case where the parties were marrying for family reasons:—

Urbanus, etc., venerabili fratri episcopo Wyntoniensi s. g. et b. Oblate nobis pro parte dilecti filii, nobilis viri Philippi, dilecti filii nobilis viri Guidonis de Brien,[1] Baronis de Layhame nati domicelli, et dilecte in Christo filie nobilis mulieris Johanne, dilecti filii nobilis viri Jacobi de Chiddeley, militis, nate domicelle, tue Wynton. et Exonien. diocesium, peticionis series continebat, quod ipsi Philippus et Johanna ad obviandum guerris et dissencionibus, que inter eorum parentes possent exoriri, necnon ad pacem et tranquillitatem, que inter huiusmodi eorum parentes vigeret, conservandum, desiderant invicem matrimonialiter copulari, set quia ipsi Philippus et Johanna quarto affinitatis gradu invicem sunt conjuncti, huiusmodi eorum desiderium adimplere nequeunt, dispensacione super hoc apostolicâ non obtentâ.

[1] One of the commissioners who were sent to Rome in 1354 to obtain confirmation of a treaty for peace with the French, which was afterwards broken off.—*Wals.* i, 278.

Quare pro parte ipsorum Philippi et Johanne nobis fuit humiliter supplicatum, ut providere eis super hoc de oportune dispensacionis graciâ de benignitate apostolicâ dignaremur.

Nos igitur, qui cunctorum Christi fidelium quietem et pacem nostris desideriis affectamus, ac guerris et dissencionibus, quantum cum Deo possumus, obviamus, huiusmodi supplicacionibus inclinati, fraternitati tue, de quâ in hiis et aliis specialem in Domino fiduciam obtinemus, per apostolica scripta committimus et mandamus, quatenus, si est ita, dictaque Johanna propter hoc rapta non fuerit, cum eisdem Philippo et Johannâ, ut impedimento quod ex huiusmodi affinitate provenit non obstante, matrimonium invicem contrahere, et in eo, postquam contractum fuerit, licitè remanere valeant, apostolicâ auctoritate dispenses, prolem ex huiusmodi matrimonio suscipiendam legitimam nunciando.—Janue, xiij Kal. Feb., pontificatûs nostri anno viij^{vo}.

Commission directed to m. Ralph Tregrese, dean of Exeter, and Henry Whitefelde, archdeacon of Barnstaple, to grant the dispensation :—

Willelmus, etc. Cum igitur premissorum expedicioni aliis arduis negociis propediti, ad presens personaliter intendere nequeamus, ad inquirendum, cognoscendum, et procedendum inde et super omnibus et singulis contentis in predictis literis apostolicis, cum omnibus suis emergentibus, incidentibus, dependentibus, et connexis ; necnon ad dispensandum inter Philippum et Johannam supradictos, si huiusmodi contenta in predictis literis apostolicis omnia et singula inveneritis esse vera, ac ulteriùs in hoc casu prolem ex huiusmodi matrimonio suscipiendam legitimam nunciandum et decernendum, ceteraque omnia alia et singula, que in premissis seu circa ea necessaria fuerint seu quomodolibet oportuna, faciendum, exercendum, et expediendum juxta vim, formam, et effectum literarum apostolicarum predictarum vobis, etc., committimus per presentes.—Wolvesey, 20 April, 1386.

[**222 a.**] Commission to v. of Boldre to impose penance on William Frebody, of the New Forest, eò quod ipse nuper Johannem Jewel sua virilia amputari fecit et abscidi invitum ; the penance being that on a Sunday before Whitsunday then next he should walk at the head of the procession round the church

of Boldre, with head bare, carrying a wax candle of half a pound weight and offer it at the altar, after repeating the Hail Mary and Lord's Prayer five times on his knees.—Waltham, 8 April, 1386.

Mandate directed to prior of Christchurch Twynham to censure canons who disobey the claustral prior. Prior blamed for inaction :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto in Christo filio priori Christi ecclesie de Twynham, ordinis S. Augustini, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Famâ publicâ referente intelleximus, quod displicenter referimus, quod nonnulli ecclesie vestre canonici et confratres, spreto obediencie jugo, et gubernaculo discipline regularis contempto, contra suppriorem vestrum priorem claustralem, verticem et calcamen erigentes, non advertentes quod in canone scribitur *quoniam quasi peccatum arriolandi est repugnare, et quasi scelus ydolatrie nolle adquiescere*, ipsorum superioribus prepositis et prelatis, domine prior, in hiis que observancias regulares et statuta canonica concernunt, parere seu obedire non curant humiliter, ut deceret, set nec reverenciam debitam suppriori predicto exhibere, prout convenit ; quodque correpciones et correcciones a suppriore predicto, pro suis demeritis ipsis legitimè interpositas et inflictas, non sustinent nec suscipiunt, ut tenentur, set vituperantes sibi mutuò, et invicem altercantes, huiusmodi correccionibus nullatenus adquiescunt, regulam S. Augustini, cui se voto astrinxerunt solempni, et alias observancias ipsius ordinis regulares, soluto miserabiliter temperancie freno, contempnunt, negligunt, et omittunt, in suarum interitum animarum, et vestram contumeliam in hâc parte.

Vos quoque, domine prior, ad quem sub nobis immediatè pertinet correccio et punicio premissorum, conniventibus oculis ipsa pertransistis, dimisistis, jam diu est, ut didicimus, incorrecta, de quo vestram prudenciam non laudamus, in anime vestre grave periculum, perniciosum exemplum et scandalum plurimorum.

Nos igitur attendentes, quod ubi gubernaculum discipline regularis contempnitur, religio penitus naufragatur ; ac volentes preterea tam temerariis ausibus dictorum canonicorum vestrorum paternis remediis obviare, vobis committimus et mandamus, in virtute obediencie firmiter injungentes, quatenus, etc. (Offenders to be canonically punished.)—Wolvesey, 27 April.

Suffragan's commission for Isle of Wight and deanery of Fordingbridge granted to Simon, bp. of Achonry, till Easter :—

Reverendo in Christo patri ac domino, domino Simoni, Dei graciâ episcopo Accadensi, Willelmus, etc., salutem ac sincere devocionis continuum incrementum. Quia nos ad Insulam Vectam, decanatum de Fordyngbrygge, et alias partes exteriores nostre diocesis, variis regiis et regni negociis multipliciter propediti, declinare non potuimus a diu, nec valemus adhuc, pro exequendis hiis, que ad nostrum pertinent officium pastorale :—

Ad predicandum igitur quibuscunque subditis locorum huiusmodi verbum Dei, ad audiendum confessiones in foro anime quorumcunque subditorum nostrorum huiusmodi vobis confiteri volencium, penitenciasque salutares eisdem pro commissis injungendum, ac ipsos a peccatis suis, que vobis confitebuntur, eciam in casibus nobis a jure seu per Constituciones specialiter reservatis, debitè absolvendum, casibus violacionis, exheredacionis jurium, libertatum, et immunitatum ecclesie nostre Wynton., infraccionisque parcorum et warennarum nostrorum dumtaxat exceptis, ac ecclesiis, cimeteriis, et altaribus certorum locorum, et reconciliacionis munus, quociens et prout opus fuerit, impendendum, vestimenta, calices, et alia ornamenta ecclesiastica benedicendum, sacramentum confirmacionis, necnon et primam tonsuram personis ad hec aptis, dumtamen eis nichil obviat de canonicis constitutis, eciam conferendum, procuraciones quoque pro premissis, seu aliquo premissorum, debitas petendum et recipiendum, debitoresque procuracionum huiusmodi ad solucionem ipsarum per censuras ecclesiasticas quascunque canonicè compellendum, omniaque alia et singula circa premissa necessaria vel oportuna faciendum, exercendum, et expediendum, vestre paternitati reverende, de cuius circumspeccionis industriâ et consciencie puritate plenè confidimus, tenore presencium committimus vices nostras, hinc ad quindenam Pasche proximè futuram dumtaxat duraturas.—Southwark, 24 March, 1385–6.

[**222b.**] Dispensation *super quarto affinitatis gradu* granted (Farnham, 5 May, 1386) upon condition of the parties going again through the ceremony of marriage, after living apart for a time, and the survivor not to marry again, pursuant to following bull :—

Urbanus, etc., venerabili fratri episcopo Wyntoniensi salutem et apostolicam benediccionem. Oblate nobis pro parte Johannis Mey, laici, et Agnetis Heighes, mulieris, tue diocesis, peticionis series continebat, quod olim ipsi non ignorantes se quarto consanguinitatis gradu fore conjunctos, per verba legitimè de presenti matrimonium insimul contraxerunt, carnali inter eos copulâ subsecutâ.

Cum autem, sicut eadem peticio subjungebat, ipsi Johannes et Agnes in huiusmodi matrimonio sic contracto licitè remanere nequeant, dispensacione super hoc apostolicâ non obtentâ, pro parte ipsorum Johannis et Agnetis nobis fuerit humiliter supplicatum, ut providere eis super hoc de absolucionis beneficio ab excommunicacionis summâ, quam propter premissa incurrisse noscuntur, et de oportune dispensacionis graciâ de benignitate apostolicâ dignaremur:

Nos igitur, huiusmodi supplicacionibus inclinati, ex certis causis nobis expositis, fraternitati tue, de quâ in hiis et aliis specialem in Domino fiduciam obtinemus, per apostolica scripta committimus et mandamus, quatenus, si est ita, eosdem Johannem et Agnetem a summâ excommunicacionis huiusmodi in formâ ecclesie consuetâ auctoritate nostrâ absolvas, injuncto inter alia sub virtute juramenti per eos prestandi, quod similia deceterò non committant, nec facientibus prebeant auxilium, consilium, vel favorem, et pro modo culpe penitenciâ salutari, ac aliis, que de jure fuerint, injungendis, et deinde si dicta Agnes propter hoc rapta non fuerit, tibique expediens videatur, quod huiusmodi dispensacio concedatur, super quibus tuam conscienciam oneramus, ipsis Johanni et Agneti separatis ad tempus de quo tibi videbitur expedire, cum eisdem Johanni et Agnete, ut impedimento quod ex huiusmodi consanguinitate pervenit non obstante, matrimonium insimul de novo liberè contrahere, et in eo, postquam contractum fuerit, licitè remanere valeant, eâdem auctoritate dispenses, prolem ex huiusmodi matrimonio susceptam et suscipiendam legitimam decernendo.

Volumus autem, quod ille ex ipsis Johanne et Agnete, qui vite superstes fuerit, perpetuò remaneat innuptus.

Neapoli, ix Kal. Ap., Pontificatûs nostri anno sexto.

Fellows of New College who are masters of Arts enjoined to

proceed in divinity or astronomy; and all fellows of the college to wear academicals in the University:—

Willelmus, permissione divinâ Wynton. episcopus, fundator et patronus collegii Sancte Marie Wyntoniensis in Oxoniâ, dilecto nobis in Christo custodi dicti nostri collegii salutem in omnium Salvatore. Relacione didicimus fidedignâ, quod nonnulli dicti nostri collegii socii magistri artium, qui licet formam lecture in artium facultate in Universitate Oxonie statutam ac eciam requisitam compleverint, necnon per unum annum ultra formam eandem in facultate predictâ lecturam continuaverint, ipsi tamen, contra ordinaciones nostras et statuta per nos edita et debitè promulgata, necnon eisdem a multis retroactis temporibus sepiùs divulgata lecture huiusmodi continuè intendentes, ad facultatem theologie seu astronomie juxta ordinaciones et statuta nostra predicta se convertere hactenus non curârunt;[1] quodque ipsi et alii socii nonnulli nostri collegii memorati, per vicos et plateas infra Universitatem publicè incedentes, chimeris vel tabardis superiùs minimè induuntur, contra ordinaciones et statuta superiùs memorata.[2]

Cum igitur sic nostre intencionis existat, quod magistri artium dicti nostri collegii completi formâ et anno predictis ad theologie seu astronomie facultatem illicò se convertant, quodque ipsi et alii socii quicunque nostri collegii supradicti, cum extra dictum nostrum collegium infra Universitatem predictam, et eciam per spacium miliaris circum Universitatem eandem incesserint, capis, chimeris, vel tabardis longis et talaribus, prout ipsorum gradibus et statibus congruunt, et non aliis vestibus, superiùs induantur; vobis committimus et mandamus, quatenus statim visis presentibus, absque more dispendio, magistros artium quoscunque nostri collegii supradicti, qui formam et annum, de quibus premittitur, compleverunt, moneatis et efficaciter inducatis

[1] Rubric xxvi of the Founder's Statutes, "De tempore assumendi gradus in qualibet facultate," enjoins "quod quilibet magister in artibus, postquam in eâdem facultate in dictâ Universitate tribus annis integris rexerit, anno inceptionis sue, si post festum Pasche inceperit, minimè computato, ad facultatem theologie vel astronomie seu medicine illicò se convertere debeat, et etiam teneatur, proficiatque, et gradus assumat in eâdem."

[2] Rubric xxiii, "De habitu sociorum et scolarium de Collegio: et de armis non portandis," enjoins "quod custos, socii, et scolares universi nostri Collegii memorati, cum ad scolas vel alibi extra ipsum Collegium infra Universitatem predictam, et spacium unius milliaris circa Universitatem eandem, tam diebus legibilibus quam aliis feriatis ire contigerit, capis, chimeris, tabardis longis et talaribus, vel mantellis pro tempore inceptionum, sicut et prout eorum gradibus et statibus congruit, et non aliis vestibus, superiùs induantur."

quatenus a lecturâ et regimine in artium facultate statim sine morâ cessent omnino, et ad theologie seu astronomie facultatem absque more dispendio effectualiter se committant et studeant, ac proficiant efficaciter in eâdem: et quod ipsi quicunque socii supradicti, cum extra dictum nostrum collegium infra Universitatem et spacium supradicta incesserint, chimeris, capis, vel longis tabardis, prout eis congruit, superiùs induantur, nisi necessitate cogente aliud fuerit faciendum, juxta ordinaciones et statuta nostra predicta.

Contradictores verò et rebelles, aut monicionibus vestris huiusmodi effectualiter non parentes, a dicto nostro collegio perpetuò expellatis; certificantes nos infra quatuor dierum spacium a tempore recepcionis presencium, quid inveneritis et feceritis in premissis.—Southwark, 20 May, 1386.

[**223 a.**] M. Thomas Baketone, archdeacon of London, commissioned by the bishop as one of the conservators of the order of Friars-Preachers to inquire into and redress wrongs done to f. John Kempestone by ds. William Ledecombe, v. of Marsworth, Bucks.—*Ib.*, 6 June.

Grant of Hamble priory *in commendam* to Tideman,[1] a monk of Netley.—Marwell, 15 August.

[**223 b.**] Will of John Dene, r. of Wonston, Englished :—

I bequeath my soul to God and my body to be buried in the church of St. Stephen, Bristol, with my father. I bequeath my best horse to my father, Walter Derby.[2] I bequeath to my serving man Nicholas, 40*s.* and my bedstead;[3] to my serving man Geoffrey, 6*s.* 8*d.*; to Isabel, wife of Robert Hentone, 6*s.* 8*d.*; and the residue of my goods to John, son of Philip Haywarde, and John Blanket, my serving man. Executor, John Blanket.

Will dated 28 July, 1386, and proved 27 August, before the bishop at Farnham.

Letter to archdeacon of Surrey and r. of Stoke near Guildford, dated Southwark, 2 Sept., transmitting a privy seal calling the clergy to arms for the defence of the realm[4]:—

Reverent piere en Dieu, porceo que meintenant nous sount

[1] Tideman de Wynchcombe, bp. of Worcester, 1395-1401. [2] Qu. stepfather.
[3] lectus: probably bedstead and bedding. [4] *Walsingham*, ii, 147.

venues certeines novelles, que notre adversaire de Fraunce se apparaile ouec graunt poair de venir ore sodeinement sur notre Royaume dengletere pur faire le damage et grevance qil purra a nous, et a notre dit Royaume, et a touz noz liges dicel ; vous prioms enchargeaunt le plus estroitement q nous pooms vous soiez prestz et arraiez voz et touz les gentz darmes et archiers que vous purrez avoir arraiez et montez pur la guerre ; et facez auxi tout votre clergie estre prestz et arraiez et montez pur la guerre, pour venir en votre persone, ou envoier voz ditz gentz et clergie devers nous eusi arraiez quen part que Dieu nous dourra avoir affaire, pour resister a noz ditz enemyes en salvacion et defense de noz ditz liges et royaume prestement et saunz targer quelle heure, et solonc ce que nous vous ferroms assavoir per noz prives lettres apres cestes. Et ce en nulle maner ne lessez, sour la foy et ligeance que vous nous deuez ; et sicome vous voulez la salvacion de notre honnour et estat et le votre, et acquiter votre devoir et loyaulte envers nous. Don souz notre prive seal a Westm. le xiiij jour daugust.

Et vous prioms, que vous facez faire processions, et prier especialment per tout votre diocise pur le bon exploit et salvacion de nous et de tout notre royaume au countre la malice de noz enemyes avantditz. Don come desus.

[224a.] Citation of executors of Sir Thomas West, kt., quod compareant coram nobis in manerio nostro de Esshere viij° die juridico citacionem tuam huiusmodi immediatè sequente dictum testamentum exhibituri et illum legitimè probaturi.—Southwark, 5 October, 1386.

Probate of nuncupative will of rector of Fordingbridge (vol i, p. 145), granted to John Sewell, John Fremyngham, and Henry Sewell, at Southwark, 14 October.

The will Englished :—Bequest of soul to God and body to be interred in the monastery at Stone. To his serving man Robert, 40 marks ; to his serving man Robert Catton, 20 marks, his bay horse, and his bed ; to Alice his serving woman, 10 marks and his dun horse ; to Joan his maid (famule), £20 ; to Thomas Wyte, 100*s.* ; to William Broun, 100*s.* ; residue to the executors *ad pios usus.*

William Ryngeborne[1] appointed land steward (senescallus terrarum) of the bishopric estates.

William, etc. Saches nous avoir fait et assignee notre trescher et bien amee William Ryngeborne notre seneschal de toutz noz manoirs, terres, et seignories, et toutz autres choses temporeles appurtenantes a notre eveschee, a faire et ordeiner en ycelles ceo q' attient al office de seneschal pur le temps qil plest a nous.

Et pur ceo nous prions trescherment a toutz noz amys et bien voillantz, et mandouns et chargeons a toutz noz tenantz et ministres qecunqes, qe es toutes choses appurtenantz al office de seneschal susdit soietz a dit William aidantz, conseillantz, entendantz, et responantz en due manere.

En tesmoignance, etc.—*Ib.*, 25 October, 1386.

[224 b.] Composition between the abbots of Hyde and Waverley, touching the tithe of the manor of Netham[2] and the provision of a domestic chaplain (unum capellanum familie dicti manerii) following similar compositions in the time of bps. Henry de Blois and Peter de Rupibus. The abbot and convent of Waverley are to be free from the payment of tithe on their manor of Netham to the abbot and convent of Hyde or to the church of Alton or chapel of Binstead, and the abbot and convent of Hyde are not to exact or claim any such tithe, and are to be free from obligation to find a chaplain for the manor of [225 a.] Netham; but the vicar of Alton for the time being is to send every year the chaplain who serves the chapel of Halybourne (Holybourne) to confess the household at Netham in Lent, as hath been the use in times past. And as a composition for all tithes, first-fruits, pensions, portions, and customs due to the abbey of Hyde, the abbot and convent of Waverley are to pay yearly at Michaelmas two marks to the abbot and convent of Hyde, and 20*s.* to the church of Alton; and if the said payments be one month in arrear the abbot and convent of Waverley are to pay to the abbot and convent of Hyde the further sum of 20*s.* by way of penalty. The compositions under

[1] Great-grandson of Alice the bishop's aunt.

[2] Neatham is a hamlet two miles north-east of the town of Alton, giving its name to the hundred in which Alton is situate. The manor of Neatham was given to Waverley Abbey by King Stephen and added to by purchase on the part of the monks.

bps. Henry de Blois and de Rupibus are confirmed, so far as they are not contrary to the above.—Farnham, 10 January, 1385–6.

Acceptance of above composition by abbot and convent of Hyde.—No date.

[225 b.] Mandate postponing the visitation of Winchester Cathedral until the Monday after S. Scolastica (Feb. 10).—Southwark, 7 Nov., 1386.

Mandate to abbot of Hyde postponing visitation of the abbey till Thursday next after S. Scolastica.—*Ib.*, Nov. 21.

Mandate to prior and chapter of Winchester Cathedral ordering thanksgivings and a Te Deum for the failure of the French King's expedition against England [1] :—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis priori et capitulo ecclesie nostre Wyntoniensis, s. g. et b. Inter cetera mundi regna per totam orbem terrarum diffusa, regnum Anglie, utpote quod honoris hactenus viguit prerogativâ et fidelium eiusdem intervenientibus precibus apud Altissimum in pacis pulcritudine pre ceteris conquievit, dominacionum Dominum in suis huiusmodi beneficiis in hympnis et canticis ac exultacionis vocibus meritò collaudare tenetur.

Cum itaque idem dominatorum Dominus ultra ea, que hactenus tam magnificè quam misericorditer egit cum populo Anglicano, volens sue bonitatis immense misericordiam ampliare, dictumque populum suum proteccionis sue prerogativâ quodammodo speciali tueri, secreciori usus consilio dictum populum suum a faucibus mortis, seu saltem a variis angustiis et intollerabilibus jam noviter liberavit, dum adversarios nostros de Franciâ inauditâ multitudine ad depopulandum populum Anglicanum jam diu hostiliter congregatos absque hominis presidio suâ pietate ineffabili fecerit retroire, ipsum dominatorum Dominum, qui salvos facit sperantes in se, intensioribus partium instanciis et devocione siquidem altiori nos decet et convenit exaltare ac specialiùs collaudare meritòque poterimus predicare *Non est nacio quam grandis, que deos habeat appropinquantes sibi, sicut adest nobis Deus noster.*[2]

[1] This expedition was delayed from the kalends of August until All Saints' eve by contrary winds, and soon after it sailed the wind became contrary again. Some of the ships were lost, and the rest went back.—*Wals.* ii, 151.

[2] *Deut.* iv, 7.

Proinde pro tot beneficiorum collacionibus nobis impensis, et specialiter exuberanti gracie sue dono, quâ jam nos oriens ex alto misericorditer visitavit, cupientes divinam celsitudinem complacari precibus devotorum: vos in Domino exhortamur, vobis nichilominus in virtute obediencie firmiter injungendo mandantes, quatenus absque more dispendio, assistentibus vobiscum toto clero et populo civitatis nostre Wyntoniensis per ipsam civitatem unam processionem sollempnem cum psalmo *Te Deum laudamus* et unâ missâ unoque sermone subsequentibus pro tante misericordie sue affluenciâ specialiter, et deinde singulis quartis et sextis feriis in dictâ ecclesiâ nostrâ processiones faciatis sollempnes Regi regum et Domino dominancium, qui fecit nobiscum misericordiam suam, in hympnis, psalmis, et canticis gracias referentes, et apud eundem devociùs exorantes, ut ecclesiam et regnum Anglie ab hostium incursu conservet, eisdemque pacem tribuat, foveat, et confirmet, ad ipsius gloriam et honorem.

Et ut mentes fidelium, etc. (grant of forty days' indulgence).—*Ib.*, 1 Nov., 1386.

Similar mandate to abbot of Hyde.—Same date.

Monition of certain, who deserting their own parish churches of Odiham and Heckfield attend early mass at Rotherwick chapel:—

Willelmus, etc. Dilectis filiis ecclesiarum parochialium de Odyham et Heghfelde perpetuis vicariis, ac capellano celebranti divina in capellâ de Retherwyke ab ipsâ ecclesiâ de Odyham dependente, necnon omnibus et singulis rectoribus et vicariis ac eorum capellanis parochiarum per decanatum de Basynstok, nostre diocesis, constitutis, s. g. et b. Humane condicionis improbitas novitates, que plerumque dispendia generant, insolerter exquirens, minus utilia ardenciùs appetit, quam que ad animarum salutem tendere dinoscuntur.

Sanè famâ publicâ referente ad nostrum pervenit auditum, quod nonnulli ecclesiarum nostre diocesis parochiani, qui diebus dominicis et festivis divinis officiis et precipuè alte misse in eorum ecclesiis parochialibus ex institucione canonicâ interesse tenentur, ad capellam de Rutherwyke (*sic*) predictam et alia loco foranea, contemptis eorum propriis presbyteris, diebus dominicis et festivis, quibus suorum ordinariorum mandata salubria, edici-

ones bannorum, jejuniorum indicciones, et premuniciones dierum solempnium et festorum ac proposicionem aliquociens verbi Dei ibidem audire deberent, confluunt impudenter, et auditâ inibi missâ privatâ de mane, ad jentacula et potaciones, comessaciones, et ebrietates, ac alia lasciva et inhonesta extunc se conferunt indecenter, in animarum suarum grave periculum, perniciosum exemplum et scandalum plurimorum.

Quocirca vobis comuniter et divisim in virtute obediencie ac sub excommunicacionis summe penâ firmiter injungendo mandamus, quatenus in capellâ de Retherwyke predictâ et locis aliis, in quibus vobis videbitur expedire, diebus dominicis et festivis proximè sequuturis moneatis et moneri publicè et in genere faciatis omnes et singulos parochianos huiusmodi, quod ipsi ad ipsorum parochiales ecclesias prefatas, precipuè diebus dominicis et festivis, reverenter accedant, divina officia et presertim magnam missam et alia supradicta devociùs audituri, nisi per absenciam necessariam vel aliàs legitimè fuerint impediti, sub penâ excommunicacionis maioris, quam in huiusmodi non penitentes, monicionibus vestris intendimus canonicè fulminare:

Inhibentes vobis expressè, sub penâ excommunicacionis predictâ, ne aliquos parochianos alienos extra casus a jure permissos ad missas vel alia divina huiusmodi quovismodo scienter de ceterò per vos vel alios admittere presumatis.

Et quid feceritis, etc.—*Ib.*, 6 Dec., 1386.

[226 a.] Letter to the prior and convent of Winchester Cathedral touching the decrease in the number of brethren:—

Salutem cum benediccione Dei et nostrâ, in Christo filii carissimi. Vestram non latet prudenciam, qualiter postquam ad episcopalis dignitatis apicem nos divina vocavit clemencia nostram Wyntoniensem ecclesiam et singulas personas eiusdem personaliter visitavimus vicibus iteratis, et dum nostre visitacionis officium exercuimus in eâdem comperimus evidenter, quod monachorum ecclesie nostre predicte antiquus et solitus numerus adeo jam decrevit,[1] quod antiqui et soliti numeri monachorum ipsorum vix remanent due partes in nostrâ ecclesiâ supradictâ.

[1] The right number of monks in a Benedictine house was seventy. The highest number mentioned in this house was sixty-four in 1325; the lowest twenty-nine in 1495–6 (*Obedientiary Rolls of St. Swithun's, Winchester*, Introd. p. 16). The number at the date of this letter is not given.

Inquirentes preterea de tante desolacionis et diminucionis causâ numeri predicti, ex gravi querelâ omnium confratrum ipsius ecclesie recepimus, quod licet facultates, possessiones, et bona communia ecclesie nostre predicte, que fundatorum eiusdem et aliorum Christi fidelium manus munifica eidem ecclesie piâ largicione contulit ad sustentacionem antiqui numeri monachorum in ipsâ ecclesiâ ceteris oneribus eidem incumbentibus supportatis sufficiant hiis diebus, porcio tamen limitata pro sustentacione conventûs ita tenuis et exilis existit, quod ipsa non sufficit ad modicum confratrum numerum jam existentem ibidem pro victu et vestitu ipsorum et aliis oneribus eisdem incumbentibus, honestate servatâ, debitè supportandis; quodque eadem porcio absque augmentacione debitâ ad maiorem numerum sufficere non poterit quovismodo; ac quod exilitas sive modicitas porcionis predicte causa est precisa diminucionis antiqui et soliti numeri monachorum in ecclesiâ nostrâ memoratâ. Cum igitur ad nostrum officium pastorale pertineat antiquum monachorum numerum in ecclesiâ nostrâ servare, nosque deceat tante desolacionis et diminucionis dispendium ab ecclesiâ nostrâ eò vigilanciùs ammovere, quo ipsa in diminucionem cultûs divini et animarum periculum tendere conspicimus evidenter:

Vobis consulimus, vestram prudenciam in Domino exhortantes, quatenus de facultatibus, possessionibus, et bonis communibus ecclesie nostre predicte inter vos ipsos citra instans festum Pasche porcionem congruam ordinare curetis, ex quâ antiquus et solitus confratrum numerus in victu et vestitu honestè valeant sustentari aliaque sibi onera incumbencia debitè supportari.

Alioquin ad limitacionem et ordinacionem porcionis huiusmodi et augmentacionem antiqui numeri supradicti, prout nobis possibile fuerit, legitimè procedemus, ad divini cultûs augmentum et sicut nobis incurrit ex officio pastorali.—*Ib.*, 6 Feb., 1386–7.

Letter to abbot of Hyde, advising a compromise on the question whether the fruits of certain chapels appendant to the church of Micheldever belonged to the abbot *ex-officio* or to the convent at large:—

Salutem cum benediccione Dei et nostrâ, in Christo, filii nobis dilecti. Nuper monasterium vestrum actualiter visitantes, graves admodum querelas pro parte conventûs contra vos, fratrem

Johannem de Eynsham, jam abbatem dicti monasterii, depositas recepimus displicenter, parte conventûs firmiter asserente, quod vos certas capellas ab ecclesiâ de Micheldevere dependentes porcioni conventûs eiusdem in supportacionem onerum eis incumbencium antiquitùs assignatas, preter et contra voluntatem ipsius conventûs detinetis injustè, necnon de fructibus capellarum ipsarum disponitis pro vestro libito voluntatis, quorum pretextu prefatus conventus incumbencia sibi onera nequit debitè supportare. Vobis verò, domino abbate e contrariò affirmante, asserenteque capellas ipsas non porcioni conventûs, ut pretenditur, assignatas, set ad porcionem vestram a porcione dicti conventûs divisam pertinere, ac pertinere debere, pro incumbentibus vobis oneribus debitè supportandis.

Et licet super hiis et aliis nonnullis articulis in visitacione nostrâ predictâ per inquisicionem sollempnem compertis, vos abbatem et conventum predictos concernentibus, nostris laudo et arbitrio in alto et in basso sub certâ penâ vos submisistis, sicut scitis ; vestris tamen in eâ parte laboribus et expensis parcere cupientes vobis consulimus, vestram prudenciam in Domino exhortantes, quatenus super omnibus et singulis articulis huiusmodi inter vos ipsos tractare ac mediante pacis Auctore super ipsis componere et concordare curetis, pro vestris comuni comodo et honore ; per hoc enim multa bonorum et rerum dispendia, scandala, et incommoda varia poteritis cauciùs evitare, que forsan aliàs non possetis comodè supportare, si dicta negocia per alios contingeret pertractari.

Alioquin si finem dicto negocio per modum huiusmodi per vos ipsos imponere non velitis, nos vigore submissionis predicte, vel aliàs nostrâ ordinariâ potestate, finem super dictis articulis imponemus, prout de jure viderimus faciendum, Domino concedente.—*Ib.*, 7 Feb., 1386–7.

[**226 b.**] Form of notice of impending visitation, with clause of interim inhibition :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio officiali archidiaconi nostri Surreiensis s. g. et b. Visitacionem nostram ordinariam nuper in ecclesiâ nostrâ cathedrali atque civitate Wyntoniensi aliisque locis archidiaconatûs Wyntoniensis inchoatam ulteriùs continuare ac perficere cupientes, clerum et populum archidiaconatûs

Surreiensis, qui sine visitacione pastorali non modico tempore prosteterunt, jure nostro ordinario visitare proponimus, Deo dante.

Nostram igitur visitacionem huiusmodi vobis tenore presencium intimamus, ipsamque archidiacono Surreiensi, ac omnibus aliis decanis et ministris vestris quibuscunque, per vos absque more dispendio intimari volumus et mandamus, vobis insuper inhibentes, et per vos archidiacono Surreiensi, decanis et aliis ministris huiusmodi in virtute obediencie inhiberi mandantes, ne vos aut ipsi, seu quivis alii nomine vestro, pendente visitacione nostrâ huiusmodi, in archidiaconatu predicto, quicquam attemptet seu attemptent in prejudicium nostre visitacionis predicte, seu faciat aut faciant aliqualiter attemptari ; quodque ab omni exercicio jurisdiccionis archidiaconatûs, prout moris est, supersedeatur omnino, donec nostra visitacio huiusmodi plenaria fuerit completa.

De diebus verò, etc.—Esher, 31 Dec., 1386.

Receipt acknowledged by archdeacon's official at Guildford, 5 Jan., 1386–7.

Commission for the visitation of Newark priory.—Southwark, 19 Jan., 1386–7.

Mandate for the citation of a number of persons to answer charges arising out of the above visitation.—*Ib.*, 7 Feb.

Commission directed to official and another to conduct the visitation of Winchester Cathedral and Hyde Abbey.—*Ib.*, 8 Feb.

[227 a.] Official's letter certifying[1] an excommunicate, John Devenish of South Charford, the respondent in a cause of subtraction of tithe, promoted by the prior of Breamore.—Winchester, 8 February.

[227 b.] Bishop's letter certifying Devenish.—Southwark, 19 Feb.

[227 a.] Delegation of m. Thomas Spert, chancellor of Wells, m. John Lydeforde, the official, Thomas Boys, provost of St. Elizabeth's college, and the rectors of St. Nicholas, Guildford,

[1] See note, p. 139.

and Easton, to hear a cause of divorce or nullity promoted by Elizabeth, daughter of John Whytone, against Thomas Pauncefot. —*Ib.*, 18 Feb., 1387.

William, chaplain of Breamore, appointed confessor to Sir William Southe, kt., and dame Margaret his wife and their household.—Same date.

[**227 b.**] Will of Richard Brykeman, of the parish of S. Mary Magdalen, Bermondsey, dated Sunday next after Christmas Day, 1386, Englished :—

Bequeaths soul to God, the Blessed Virgin, and all Saints, and body to be buried in churchyard of S. Mary Magdalen. Bequeaths 20*s.* to provide a chalice for the use of that church and 10*s.* for expenses on the day of his burying. Gives for the support of the light before the rood at that church half of one of his beehives (huve apum), and the rest of his beehives to his son John. To the convent of St. Saviour's, Bermondsey, 6*s.*, and to William Clere his brother, 6*s.* 8*d.* ; to Nicholas Brykeman the lease of the garden which the testator rented of the bishop of Winchester, and the livery gown which he wore as one of the bishop's men (quam habeo in huiusmodi servicio). Bequeaths to his wife all the goods which she endowed him with on their marriage, to wit, her clothing, ornaments, (jocalia), linen, woollen, and utensils, and of his own goods, a copper pot, a copper basin and ewer, a copper dish, and two bedsteads and bedding, at her election. Residue after payment of debts to be distributed equally amongst his children John, Alice, Joan, and Joan,[1] to be kept for them by the executors until their coming of age. Executors, John White, tanner, Thomas Sandwyk, carpenter, and Agnes the widow.

Proved before the bishop at Southwark, 11 January, 1386–7.

Will of Edmund Tettisworth, serjeant-at-arms, dated 1386, no day or month, Englished :—

Bequeaths soul to God, the Blessed Virgin, and All Saints, and body to be buried in church of St. Mary Overy, Southwark, before the image of St. Anne on the wall. To the prior and convent of St. Mary Overy, 100 marks to find board and clothes, *prout decet gentilem hominem*, for his brother Thomas, and a

[1] This testator had two daughters named Joan. The next testator had two named Alice.

chamber in the west gate of the convent for him to dwell in during the rest of his life; also 26 marks for masses for the testator's soul during six years after his death, and 6*s.* 8*d.* yearly to the officiating priest. To the parish church of Tettisworth (Tetsworth, Oxon), £20; to improve the highway there from Lob's corner to Postilcombe Hill, £40; to the abbot and convent of Thame for repairs of the abbey church, £40; to Roger Catour his serving man the £40 owing by William Multone; to John and William Flour, his serving man, and Joan Couvyle, his serving woman, ten marks each; to Simon Catour and wife, ten marks; to John Smyth and Alice his wife, a daughter of the testator, ten marks; to John Danvers and Marion his mother, ten marks; to Thomas Dorant and Alice his wife, another daughter of the testator, settled in Buckinghamshire, ten marks; to John Bryd and Isabel his wife, ten marks; to Thomas Merton, a monk of Eynsham, ten marks; to his son John Tettisworth the £40 owing by William Blakemore on bond, to remain in Blakemore's hands till the son's coming of age, and if he die under age, to fall into the residue for the soul's health of the testator and his son. To the fabric of St. Olave's church, ten marks; to Thomas Wanstal, skinner (*pelliparius*), ten marks. Residue to executors for pious uses. Executors, Roger and Thomas Tettisworth his brothers, Alice Mokkynge, William Blakemore serjeant-at-arms, Roger Longe of Tettisworth, and John Tettisworth, a cousin.

[**228 a.**] Proved, as regards assets within the diocese, at Southwark, 4 March, 1386–7.

V. of Heckfield licensed to officiate at Mattingley[1]:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio perpetuo vicario ecclesie parochialis de Heghfelde, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Dilecti nobis in Christo filii prioris monasterii de Mertone precibus favorabiliter inclinati, ut in quâdam domo in villatâ de Mattinglye ad instar capelle fabricatâ, et infra parochiam eiusdem ecclesie de Heghfelde, nostre diocesis, situatâ, missas et alia divina officia licitè celebrare, ac eciam per alium capellanum ydoneum, quem ad hoc duxeris eligendum, facere valeas celebrari, parochianisque villatam de Mattynglye predictam inhabitantibus sacramenta et sacramentalia ecclesiastica in eâdem domo per te vel capellanum

[1] A place four miles south-west of Heckfield.

huiusmodi ministrare, tibi ac capellano eidem licenciam tenore presencium concedimus specialem a die date presencium usque ad proximam dominicam post festum Pasche proximè jam futurum inclusivè tantummodo duraturam.

Mandantes preterea, quatenus omnibus inhabitantibus villatam predictam parochianis ecclesie de Heghfelde predictâ ne pro divinis audiendis aut sacramentis vel sacramentalibus ecclesiasticis recipiendis ad ecclesias alienas, nisi ex causâ racionabili vel legitimâ, se transferant quovismodo, sub penâ excommunicacionis maioris ; non permittentes aliquos alios capellanos, cuiuscunque ordinis, gradûs, statûs, aut condicionis existant, in dictâ domo quomodolibet celebrare, aut sacramenta vel aliqua sacramentalia ecclesiastica inibi ministrare, absque nostrâ licenciâ speciali. Inhibentes insuper omnibus parochianis ecclesiarum aliarum ad dictam domum pro divinis audiendis accedentibus, ne ibidem divina huiusmodi audiant vel sacramenta seu sacramentalia ecclesiastica inibi recipiant, casibus a jure permissis dumtaxat exceptis.—Southwark, 9 March, 1386–7.

Commission directed to prior of Winchester Cathedral and others to absolve Nicholas Fauconer, of Hurstbourne Priors, who was excommunicate for contumacy, and in custody by virtue of a writ of *excommunicato capiendo* ; and return dated at Winchester, 15 March.

[228 b.] Signification thereof to the king, to the intent that Fauconer may be discharged from custody [1] :—

Excellentissimo in Christo principi, etc., Willelmus, etc., salutem in Eo, per quem reges regnant et principes dominantur. Cum nos dudum pro capcione Nicholai Fauconer de Husseborne Prioris, nostre diocesis, qui propter suas multiplicatas contumacias pariter et offensas coram nobis contractas maioris excommunicacionis summâ auctoritate nostrâ ordinariâ legitimè extitit innodatus, et in huiusmodi excommunicacionis summâ in contemptum clavium ecclesie per quadraginta dies et ampliùs perseveravit animo indurato, vestre regie scripserimus maiestati, fuissetque et sic idem Nicholaus ad mandatum vestrum regium inde directum, ad ipsius rebellionem reprimendam, in castro vestro Wyntoniensi carceri mancipatus ; prefatus Nicholaus

[1] The statute regulating the writ *de excommunicato capiendo* is now 5 Eliz., c. 23.

carceris asperitate a sue rebellionis devio ad humilitatis semitam revocatus, a prefatâ excommunicacionis summâ in formâ juris se absolvi humiliter supplicavit.

Nos igitur, attendentes quod ecclesia claudere non debeat gremium penitenti, misericordie oculos convertimus ad eundem, et ipsum a dictâ excommunicacionis summâ absolvi fecimus in formâ ecclesie consuetâ.

Que omnia vestre celsitudini regi tenore presencium intimamus, ut quem brachii secularis potestas a suis temerariis conatibus refrenavit, jam humilem et contritum a carceris vincula (*sic*) precipiat liberari. Vestram celsitudinem regiam diu conservet Altissimus ad populi sui regimen per tempora feliciter duratura.—Farnham, 17 March, 1386–7.

Act of regency, appointing archbishops of Canterbury and York, dukes of York and Gloucester, bishops of Winchester and Exeter, abbot of Waltham, Richard earl of Arundel, John lord Cobham, Richard Lescrop, and John Devereux, commissioners for the reform of the king's household and better government of the realm :—

Richard, per la grace de Dieu Roy dengletere et de Fraunce, et seignour dirland, a toutz ceux qi cestes lettres verrount ou orront, salutz. Nous avoms certeinement contenz de la grevouse compleint de seignours et communes de nostre royalme en ce present parlement assemblez, que noz profitz, rentes, et revenues de notre royalme per singuler et nonsufficeant conseil et male governaile, sibien dascuns nadgairs noz grantz officers come de diverses autres persones esteantz entour notre persone, sont en tant sustretz, esloignez, donez, grantz, alienez, destruitz, et malement despenduz, que nous sumes tant empoverez, voides, et nues de tresor et davoir, et la substance de notre corone en tant amenuse et destru, que lestat de nous et de notre hostel ne poet honurablement estre sustenuz, comme affiert, ne les guerres qe oe abundent tout environ notre roialme de iour en autre meyntenuz ne governez, saunz tres grandes et outrageouses oppressions et importables charges de notre dit people; et auxint que les bones leys, estatutz, et custumez de notre dit roialme, as queux nous sumes astrictz et obligez de tenir et garder, ne sount nount este duement tenuz ne executz, ne pleyne

justice ne droit faitz a notre dit peple, pont plusoures desherisouns et autres tresgrandes meschiefs et damages sont avenuz, si bien a nous, come a notre dit people, et a tout notre roialme.

Et nous a lonur de Dieu et pur le bien de nous et de notre dit roialme et pur la quiete et relevation de notre dit people, qont este grandement chargez en plusours maneres devant ces heures, veullantz ove le grace de Dieu contre tieux meschiefs mettre bone et due remedie, si avoms de notre franche volunte, et al requeste des seignours et comunes susdites, ordeignez, fait, et assignez noz grantz officers, cest assavoir noz chaunceller, tresorer, et gardein de notre prive seal, tielx come nous tenons bons, loialx, et sufficeantz pur honour et profit de nous et de notre dit roialme. Et outre ce de notre auctorite roiale, certeine science, bone gre, et franche volunte, et per avys et assent de prelatz, seignours, et comunes susditz en plein parlement en eide de bone governance de notre roialme et bone et due execution de noz dites leys, et en relevement del estat de nous et de notre people en temps avenir, confiantz pleinement del bon avisement, sen, et discretion de les honorables pieres en Dieu William, ercevesq de Cantebirs, Alisandre, ercevesq deverwyk, noz uncles Esmon, duk deverwyk,[1] Thomas, duk de Gloucestre ;[2] les honourables pieres en Dieu, William, evesq de Wyncestre, Thomas, evesq dexestre, et Nichol, abbe de Waltham ; nos chiers et foialx Richard, counte darundall, John, sire de Cobham, Richard lescrop, et Johan Devereux, y ceux avons ordeignez, assignez, deputez, ordeignons, assignons, et deputons destre de notre grant et continuel conseil pur un an entier proschein apres la date dicestes, a surveier et examiner ovesq noz grantz officers sibien lestat et governaile de notre hostel et de toutes noz courtz, lieux, et places, come lestat et governaile de tout notre roialme et de touz noz officers et ministres de queconque estat, degree, ou condition qils soient, sibien deinz notre hostel, come dehors, et denquere et de providre information per toutes les voies qientz lour semblera de toutes les rentz, revenues, et profitz qa nous appartiegnent et sont dues, et deuissent apparteigner et estre dues, sibien deinz notre roialme, come dehors, en queconque manere ou condition de toutes maneres de donns,

[1] Edmund of Langley, Earl of Cambridge, made Duke of York in 1385.—*Wals.* ii, 140.

[2] Thomas of Woodstock, Earl of Buckingham, created Duke of Gloucester, same year. —*Ib.*, 140.

grantz, alienacions et confirmations per nous faitz de terres, tenementz, rentes, annuitees, profitz, revenues, gardes, mariages, eschetes, forfaitures, franchises, libertes, voidances de ercevesches, evesches, abbaties et priories, fermes, demesnes et possessions des aliens, et de toutes autres possessions, sommes de deniers, biens, et chateux, et dautres choses queconques, et as queux persones et per quelle cause, et coment, et en quelle manere, et mesment de ceux persones que lont prys sanz desert ; et auxint des revenues et profitz queconques, sibien de notre dit roialme, come de terres, seignories, citees, villes, chastelx, fortresses, et queconques noz autres possessions, sibien de cea la mir come de la ; et de profitz et emolumentz de noz monoies et billions, et de la prise de prisoners, villes, et lieux, messes, carrakes, biens et ranceons de guerre per terre et per mier ; et de benefices et autres possessions de cardinalx rebealx, et toutz autres aliens, et auxint des apportes de monoie hors de notre roialme per lours collectours du pape, procuratours de cardinalx, Lumbardes, et autres persones queconque, sibien aliens come denzins, et des [229a.] emolumentz et profitz provenantz et sourdants de custumes et subsides de leynes, quirs et pealx lanutz, et de les petites custumes et autres subsides de draps, vyns, et toutes autres merchandices, et de dismes, quinzismes, et toutes autres subsides et charges grantez par la clergie et la comune ; et auxint de les resceites, profitz, et paiementz del hanaper de notre chauncelrie, et de queconqes noz autres resceites de temps de notre coronement tanq en cea, et de fees, gages, et rewardes des officers et ministres griendres et mendres, et auxint des annuitees et autres rewardes et donns grantez et faitz as ascunes persones per nous et per pier et aiel en fee, ou a terme de vie, ou en ascune autre manere, et si gree ou paiement lour ent soit fait ; et per queux et en quelle manere, et combien ils ount relessez ou donez as officers et autres pur avoir lour paiementz, et as queux persones, coment, et in quelle manere, et de terres, tenementz, rentez, revenues et forfaitures, bargaynez et venduz a prejudice et damage de nous et de notre corone, et par queux, et as queux, et coment, et en quelle manere, et de vent ou bargayne de tailles et patentes pur singuler profit, sibien en temps notre dit aiel, come en notre temps, et coment, et per quelles persones, et eusement de toutz les joialx et biens que

furent a notre dit aiel au temps de son moriant, et queux, de quelle prise ou value, et ou ils sont devenuz, et coment, et en quelle manere ; et de toutes chevances ascunement faites a notre oeps per queconqes persones, et de toutes les perdes et damages que nous avoms eu et sustenu per ielles, et per queux persones et coment, et en quelle manere ; et de chartres de pardon generales et especiales, et auxint de les sommes et paiementz et manere de despenses, sibien de notre dit hostel, come pur la salvacion et defense de noz roialme, terres, seignories, villes, chastellx, fortresses, et autre lieu de cea la mier et de la, faitz et rescouz per queconqes persones, sibien soldiers come autres, et per queconque voie, et coment, et en quelle manere ; et combien ils ont donez pur avoir lour paiementz ; et de concelementz de noz droitures et profitz, et per queux, coment, et en quelle manere ; et de meinteinours et empernours des quereles et dustres denquestes et dofficers et ministres faitz per brogage, et de lour brogours ; et de ceux qont pris le brogage, et coment, et en quelle manere.

Et de toutes les defautes et mesprisions faites, sibien en notre dit hostel et noz autres courtz, places, et lieux susdites, come en toutz autres lieux deinz notre roialme per queconqes persones, pont les profitz de nous et de notre corone ont este empirez et amenusez, ou la comune ley destourbe ou delaye, ou autre damage a nous avenir.

Donantz et comettantz par ycestes de notre auctorite et per avys et assent desusditz a non ditz conseillers, et fys de eux a noz grantz officers avantditz, plein poair et auctoritee generale et especiale dentre notre dit hostel, et toutz les offices de ycelle, et touz noz autres courtz, places, et lieux, a tant de foitz come lour plerra, et de faire venir devant eux, ou et qant lour plerra, roulles, recordes, et autres munimentz et evidences tioux come lour semblera, et toutes les defautes, gastes, et excesses trovez en dit hostel, et auxint toutes autres defautes et mesprisions trovez en les autres courtz, places, lieux, officers et ministres susditz, et en toutz les autres articles et poyntz desusnomez, et chescun deycelles, et auxint toutes autres defautes, mesprisions, excesses, fauxtines, desceites, extorsions, oppressions, damages, et grevances faites au prejudice, damage et destres de nous et de notre corone, et lestat de notre dit roialme, en

general ou en especialment, expressez ne specifiez paravant, amender, corriger, reparer, redresser, reformer, et mettre en bone et due estat et establissement.

Et auxint doier et resceuire toutes maneres de pleyntes et quereles de toutz noz lieges si vorront suir et se pleindre, sibien pur nous come pur lour mesmes, devant noz dits conseillers et officiers de toutes maneres de duresses, oppressions, injuries, tortz, et mesprisions, queux ne purront bonement estre amendez ne termines per la cours de la comune ley de la terre avant usee, et de ent doner et faire bone et due remedie, et recovrir ; sibien pur nous come pur noz lieges susditz.

Et a toutes les choses avantditz, et chescun de eux, pleinement discuter et finalment terminer, et de ent faire pleine execution, solonc ceo que lour semblera mentz, pur le honur et profit de nous et de notre estat et redyntegration de droitz et profitz de notre dit corone et meilliour governance de la paix et leys de notre terre, et relevement de notre dit people.

Veullantz auxi, que si diversite ou variance dopinion sourde ou aveigne entre noz ditz conseillers et officers, que la juggement et opinion de la greindre partie eit force et tiegne bien.

Commandantz et chargeantz a touz prelatz, ducs, contes, barons, seneschall, tresorer, countreroullour, et touz autres officers de notre hostel, justices de lun bank, ou de lautre, et autres nos justices queconqes, barons, et chamberlaynes de leschequer, viscontz, eschetours, maiors, baillifs, et touz autres noz officers, ministres, et lieges queconqes, q a noz ditz conseillers et officers en la manere avantdite soient entendantz, obeiantz, conseillantz, et aidant, sisonent, et pur manere come noz ditz conseillers et officers lour ferront assavoir, de par nous.

En tesmoignance de quelle chose nous avons fait cestes noz lettres patentes. Don souz notre grand seal a Westm. le xix iour de Novembre lan de notre regne disme.

[229 a.] Certificate to ground a writ *de excommunicato capiendo* against Geoffrey Bakere, of Woking, for contumacy.—Wolvesey, 9 April, 1387.

Commission directed to Lydeforde the official and John Ware to visit priories of Selborne, Christchurch Twynham and

Breamore, and St. Mary's abbey, Winchester—ad inquirendum super quibuscunque criminibus, excessibus, et delictis quarumlibet personarum dictorum prioratuum et monasterii.—Southwark, 29 June, 1387.

[**229 b.**] Commission to admit William Love to the archpriestship of Barton oratory:—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis in Christo filiis abbati monasterii de Quarrerâ in insulâ Vectâ, necnon mm. Roberto Lymyntone, Johanni Laurens, et Ricardo Howey, juris perito, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Accedens ad nos Willelmus Love, asserens se capellanum et confratrem domûs sancte Trinitatis de Burtone in insulâ Vectâ, nostrorum patronatûs et diocesis, et in ipsâ domo expressè professum, suâ nobis relacione monstravit, quod licet frater Gilbert Norys, capellanus et confrater domûs eiusdem, in archipresbyteratum ipsius domûs per mortem f. Roberti de Sombourne, ultimi archipresbyteri eiusdem, vacantis, aliàs fuerat electus, idem tamen Gilbertus ex certis causis legitimis ipsum ad hoc moventibus juri quod habuit ex vi eleccionis huiusmodi renunciavit expressè[1]; post quam quidem renunciacionem tam idem Gilbertus, quam ceteri eiusdem domûs confratres, ad novam eleccionem canonicè procedentes, eundem Willelmum Love, dicte domûs confratrem et professum, ac in ordine sacerdotali constitutum, in supradicte domûs archipresbyterum elegerunt.

Ne igitur pro defectu pastoris prefata domus in facultatibus suis grave dispendium patiatur, nos volentes indempnitatibus eiusdem debitè providere, ad inquirendum in formâ juris super omnibus et singulis articulis supradictis, et si per inquisicionem huiusmodi premissa inveneritis fore vera, ad examinandum eleccionem de prefato Willelmo Love, et si potestas eligendi sive providendi ad nos hâc vice prefate domui de archipresbytero legitimè devolvatur, et eundem Willelmum Love aliàs habilem inveneritis, et dicte domui ydoneum, boneque vite et conversacionis honeste existere, ac in spiritualibus et temporalibus circumspectum, nichilque sibi obviaverit in hâc parte de canonicis institutis, ad providendum eidem Willelmo Love de domo Sancte Trinitatis predictâ, et eidem domui de eodem, ceteraque omnia et singula faciendum, exercendum et expediendum, que

[1] See petition against him on next page.

in huiusmodi eleccionis sive provisionis negocio necessaria fuerint vel eciam oportuna, vobis aut duobus vestrûm divisim, de quorum discrecione et circumspeccionis industriâ plenè confidimus, et quorum consciencias apud Altissimum oneramus in hâc parte, committimus vices nostras, mandantes quatenus negocio huiusmodi primitùs expedito, nos de toto processu vestro in hâc parte coram vobis habendo distinctè certificetis, etc.—Esher, 3 June, 1387.

To the same, to inquire into the truth of the following allegations against Noreys:—

Treshonnore piere en Dieu, vous plese dentendre de sire Kilbert Norys, gardeyn de la meson de Burton, en le ysle de Wicht, ad done et vendu saunz ascune assent de les freres de mesme la place a diverse genz, primerement $\frac{xx}{ix}$ berbys de les meilliours q furent sur le dicte place, le pece pur xij*d.* Item xx autres bestes de les meilliours pur x marcs, quels p. record de tout la meson vayleren bien x*li.* Item tout le leyne de lan passe, qe vaudreyt bien viij marcz, fuist done et gaste, q nully ne seyt coment. Item tous les pels de leyne de mesme le an furent venduz a Hamptone, mes nully seyt coment. Item j chival pris xxx*s.* Item j jumente et j poul, q vaudreyt bien xx*s.*, pur v*s.* Item le chalys et les vestimentz, saler, et quylers de la place mis en gage. Item tout le forment q fuist sur la place remeyne. Item xxx quartours de barley. Item xxx quartours de aveyne. Item x quartours pisens. Item j batil de peys de xij, tout pleyn de bel tymber, done a Johan Tannere de Newport. Item j autre batyl pleyn de briche, done a le longe Robyn de le Novele Ville. Item j autre batyl pleyne de briche, done a Pieres Brian de Suthamptone. Item iij charettes pleyn de bel tymber, done a Richard Shephurde de Chale. Item iij charettes plus de bel tymber, done a un gentil home de le chastel. Item ij autres charettes pleyn de tymber, a ij autres gentz. Item j batil pleyn de briche, done a Thomas Haynow de Schofflet. Item en mesme le meson le dit sire Gilbert tent un Luce Stapylgate pur son servaunt, et ad ovesq le dite Luce iiij enfans. Item il tent plus iij autres putaynes, Jokyn Ywayn, Yde de Caresbrok, et Anneys Aleyn. Item per record de les freres de la meson et des autres bones gens le place est plus pyr qe y ne fuit despuys qe sire Robert moryt, per c marcs. Item

per record de tout le meson le dit Gilbert est un pur aler a le taverne, et chascun nuyt voyet estre yssi yure qe yconent pur luy porter a lostel.

Translation.

Right Honourable father in God, may it please you to hear how sir Kilbert Norys, warden of the house of Burton, in the Isle of Wight, has given away and sold, without assent of the brethren, first, 180 wethers (Fr. *brebis*) of the best, worth 12*s.* apiece; also twenty of the best beasts for ten marks, by report of the whole house well worth £10; also all the wool of last year, which was well worth eight marks, he sold or gave away, no one knows how; also all the sheep skins of the same year were sold at Southampton, but no one knows how; also a saddle horse for 30*s.*; also a mare and colt, which were well worth 20*s.*, for 5*s.*; also the chalice and the vestments, the salver and the spoons pawned; also all the wheat that was left on the place; also thirty quarters of barley, thirty quarters of oats, and ten quarters of peas; a barge load of twelve tons of prime timber, given to John Tanner, of Newport; a barge load of bricks, given to Long Robin, of Newtown, and another given to Peter Brian, of Southampton; three cartloads of prime timber, given to Richard Sheptone, of Chale; three cartloads, given to a gentleman at Carisbrooke Castle, and two more given to other people; a barge load of bricks given to Thomas Haynow, of Shalfleet. In the house with him, the said Gilbert keeps one Lucy Stapelforde as his servant, and four children with her; and he keeps three whores, Jokyn Ywayn, Ida de Carisbrooke, and Anneys Aleyn. By report of brethren of the house and other persons of good repute, the place is worse than it was when sir Robert died by a hundred marks, and by report of the whole house, the said Gilbert is one to haunt the tavern, and each night there is one of his acquaintance there to lead him to his lodging.

[230 a.] The abbot and Howey made a return that the election of Gilbert Norys was invalid, and that they had set it aside; and admitted Love, who took the following oath:—

Ego, Willelmus Love, in archipresbyterum domûs S. Trinitatis de Burtone in Insulâ Vectâ prefectus, juro ad hec sancta Dei evangelia per me corporaliter tacta, quod redditus et possessiones ac jura quecunque, necnon universa bona spiritualia et temporalia dicte domûs pro viribus conservabo, nullamque alienacionem, vastum, dilapidacionem, seu distribucionem faciam, quodque alienata viis et modis, quibus potero, revocabo, et revocari procurabo, et ad hoc instabo, laborabo, et per me et alios pro-

sequar diligenter, nullasque alienaciones jam factas ratificabo, confirmabo, aut relaxacionem aliquam faciam de eisdem, set comodum ipsius domûs in omnibus procurabo et faciam juxta posse, ordinacionesque et statuta dicte domûs, quantumcunque potero et facultates ipsius sufficiant, observabo, et faciam ab aliis eiusdem domûs confratribus fideliter observari. Obedienciam eciam canonicam domino episcopo Wyntoniensi, et eius successoribus canonicè intrantibus, eorumque officialibus et ministris, in licitis et canonicis mandatis, juro eciam ac promitto in hiis scriptis.—Barton, 7 June, 1387.

[230 b.] Absolution of the bishop by Cardinal Marino, camerarius of the Holy See, dated at Genoa, 20 June, 1386, in case the omission of his proxy to make an oblation when he visited the Roman Court, amounted to a breach of his consecration oath (vol. i, p. 9).

[243 a.] This absolution was repeated 2 June, 1389.

[230 b.] Will of Sir John Delhay, kt., proved before m. Arnald Brocas on commission, Englished :—

Bequeaths soul to God, the Blessed Virgin, and all Saints, and body to be interred in church of St. Mary Hemelhampford (*sic*). All his goods and chattels to Katherine his wife and his children, according to his disposition. Executors, his wife, and Robert Hemgrave. Dated at Sherfield, 10 August, 1386, and proved 20 Feb., 1386–7.

Notice of bishop's intention to visit Chertsey abbey on Monday next after St. Peter ad Vincula, with clause of inhibition in mean time.—Southwark, 28 June, 1387.

Similar notices, addressed to priors of Merton, St. Mary Overy, and St. Thomas the Martyr's, Southwark.

[231 a.] Grant in commendam to John de Ketone, treasurer of Wolvesey, of the provostship of S. Elizabeth's college, void by the death of Thomas Boys :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio m. Johanni de Ketone, presbytero, thesaurario nostro de Wolveseye, s. g. et b. De tuis fidelitate discrecione, ac prudencia circumspectâ plenam in Domino fiduciam obtinentes, prepositurum capelle sancte Elizabeth juxta Wyntoniam, nostre diocesis, per mortem m. Thome Boys, ultimi

prepositi eiusdem, vacantem et ad nostram collacionem pleno jure spectantem, tibi premissorum meritorum tuorum intuitu, cum suis juribus et pertinenciis universis, hinc ad sex mensium terminum tenore presencium commendamus, administracionem bonorum spiritualium et temporalium ad ipsam prepositurum qualitercunque pertinencium per idem tempus tibi specialiter committentes.—Southwark, 15 June, 1387.

Will of sir William Croyser, kt., dated at Maydenescrofte, 10 April, 1387, and proved at Hitchin, 5 Kal. Maii, same year, before John de Gyddynge, commissary of the bishop of Lincoln, and then at Esher, 4 June following, before the bishop of Winchester, Englished :—

Bequeaths soul to God, the Blessed Virgin, and all Saints, and body to be buried in church of St. Mary, Stoke D'Abernon. Bequeaths 10*s.* to high altar of that church, and 10*s.* to the fabric. Bequeaths 20*s.* to the church of St. Swithun's, Winchester, 20*s.* to the fabric of the church of Pavenham, 13*s.* 4*d.* to the fabric of the church of Aldebury (Aldbury, Herts), 20*s.* to the church of Yelden, 6*s.* 8*d.* to the high altar of St. Ippollyts, 6*s.* 8*d.* to the fabric of the church of Bisley, 6*s.* 8*d.* to the church of Aldenham, 6*s.* 8*d.* to the church of Dokesworth, 6*s.* 8*d.* to the high altar at Fetcham, 13*s.* 4*d.* to the upper story (solarium) of St. Cross hospital at Hitchin, and 20*s.* to the Carmelites there. Residue to widow for his soul's health. Executors, his widow Elizabeth Croyser, sir John Croyser, kt., his son, John Bokingham, capellanus, and William Dalby, r. of Stoke D'Abernon.

Henry, r. of Walton-on-the-Hill (vol. i, p. 90), appointed sequestrator for archdeaconry of Surrey, in the room of William, rector of Buckland, deceased (see p. 222).—Southwark, 4 July.

Will of James de Lacy, dated at his residence at Chessington, Surrey, 29 May, 1387, and proved at Southwark 10 July same year, Englished :—

Bequeaths soul to God, and body to be interred in chapel of St. Mary in the convent church of Merton. To be distributed amongst the poor on the day of his interment, ten marks; for expenses of his funeral, £10; to Isabel, dau. of his brother, sir Thomas de Lacy, kt., twenty marks; to Thomas Nichol his chaplain, for stipend up to next Michaelmas, 20*s.* and a legacy

of 100 shillings; to Thomas Wotton, 10*s.*, for wages to same date, and a legacy of 40*s.*, and a bed with blue furniture (*unum lectum de blueto*), and mattress, blanket, and pair of sheets; to William Frost, his servant, 10*s.* for wages to same date, and a legacy of 20*s.*; to John, son of William Hounte, 10*s.*; to Alice Lovekyn, ten marks; to Joan, her daughter, £10. The rents of the manor of Estlegh, which stands limited by grant of Thomas de Legh to the testator for life, remainder to his executors for a term of 23 years, to be applied in payment of a chaplain to say mass during the said term for the souls of the testator, his father and mother, sir Gilbert Spenser, kt., and Ela his wife, and John their son, sir Gilbert's father and mother, John de Legh and Margaret his wife, and all the faithful departed; the chaplain's stipend to be 35*s.*, the convent of Merton to receive 5*s.*, and John Swanton to have 20*s.* and Robert Beauchamp 40*s.* yearly during their respective lives, and the residue to be for the use of the prior and convent. The testator then bequeathed to Adam Neel all oxen, horses, cows, carts, implements, and "housbondria," on his manor of Hersham, and the corn growing there; and to William Hounte, 100*s.* Residue to be at the disposal of his executors, Robert, prior of Merton, William Ramesbury, subprior, and John Holt.

Codicil.—To prior of Merton, to pay for Crown license to hold the manors in mortmain (*pro mortificatione terrarum*), 20 marks.

To Nicholas Slyfeld, 20 marks.

To Peter atte Merrsh, 100*s.*

To priory of Kington, £10.

To Robert de Cherlton, £10.

To John Carry, 100*s.*

To William Warton and Isabel his wife, if they consent to surrender their interest in a tenement at Kimble to abbot and convent of Malmesbury, 40 marks. If they do not consent, the money to be paid to the prior and convent to discharge the debt on their kitchen for the improvement thereof, and no other purpose.

To John Swanton, £10.

To Robert Beauchamp, £20.

To Hugh Tannere, 5 marks.

Further codicil, giving eight marks to Adam Neel to provide for masses for souls of James de Lacy, Robert and Maud, his father and mother, Henry and Thomas, his brothers, and Alice, wife of the said Thomas, Gilbert Spenser and Ela his wife, and John their son, in the church of Bumstead-Helion.

[232 a.] Delegation of archidiaconal functions to the sequestrator, on the death of archdeacon Bloxham (vol. i, p. 148):—

Willelmus, etc., discreto viro domino Johanni Batour, sequestratori nostro in archidiaconatu Wynton., s. g. et b. De vestris discrecione et circumspeccionis industriâ in Domino confidentes, ad exercendum nomine nostro et pro nobis omnem et omnimodam jurisdiccionem archidiaconalem in archidiaconatu Wyntonie jam vacante, sinodaque et capitula tenendum, visitandum, inquirendum, puniendum et eciam reformandum, procuraciones, emolumenta, et obveniencia quecumque ad archidiaconatum predictum pertinencia recipiendum, necnon omnia et singula faciendum et expediendum in archidiaconatu predicto, que ad officium archidiaconi archidiaconatûs eiusdem de jure vel consuetudine pertinere noscuntur, durante vacacione predictâ hâc vice vobis tenore presencium committimus vices nostras, cum cuiuslibet cohercionis canonice potestate, donec eas ad nos duxerimus revocandas.—Southwark, 20 July, 1387.

Grant of suffragan's commission for Isle of Wight to bishop of Achonry, to be in force until Easter.—*Ib.*, 24 Feb., 1387–8.

Excommunication denounced against trespassers in pursuit of game in Farnham park, and the bishop's chaces and warrens at Farnham and Crondall.—*Ib.*, 15 March, 1387–8.

William, r. of Wynchesfelde (vol. i, p. 146), appointed sequestrator for archdeaconry of Winchester.—Esher, 2 April, 1388.

[233 a.] The bishop's letter to the electors, touching the admission of two lay clerks to Winchester college, with instructions as to the choice of scholars at the coming election.[1]

Salutem cum benediccione Dei atque nostrâ, carissimi. Mittimus ad vos Johannem Everard[2] et John Compton, pau-

[1] The marginal note in the register is, "Litera ut ydonei scolares eligantur in collegio Oxon. et Wynton. sine parcialitate aliquâ."

[2] Perhaps an elder brother of Henry Everard, of Alton, admitted 28 Oct., 19 Ric. II.

peres clericulos de capellâ nostrâ, ut in collegium nostrum Wynton. admittantur. Volumus igitur, ut cum ipsi ad vos venerint ex hâc causâ in dictum nostrum collegium recipiatis eosdem.

Vobis preterea injungimus, quatenus in eleccionibus apud collegium nostrum Wynton. jam proximò faciendis, primò videlicet de scolaribus ipsius nostri collegii Wynton. ad collegium nostrum Oxon. assumendis, ac deinde de scolaribus aliis loco ipsorum in dictum nostrum collegium Wynton. eligendis, taliter procedatis, ut absque parte aut precio, favore vel amore, seu parcialitate quâcunque, per vos tales, precipuè in dictum nostrum collegium Oxon., eligantur, qui in gramaticâ bene et sufficienter fuerint eruditi, vitâque et moribus meritò commendandi ; et quos speraveritis in vestris conscienciis plus posse proficere et debere in collegio nostro Oxon. supradicto. Quodque in collegium nostrum Wynton. habiles et magis ydoneos eligatis de locis in nostris statutis limitatis.

Ita tamen quod quatuor de parochiâ de Broughtone [1] et totidem de parochiâ de Downtone, si habiles et ydonei reperiantur, in dictâ eleccione ceteris preferantur.[1] Hoc semper proviso, quod scolares huiusmodi in dictum nostrum collegium Wynton. assumendi in lecturâ et plano cantu, ac in antiquo Donato instructi competenter existant,[2] etatisque sue duodecimum annum non excedant, nisi taliter in gramaticâ prius fuerint informati, quod ante decimum nonum [3] etatis sue annum in ipsâ poterint sufficienter expediri, statutis nostris eleccionem dictorum scolarium Oxon. et Wynton. concernentibus in omnibus semper salvis.

Super quibus omnibus ipsas vestras consciencias apud Altissimum districciùs oneramus, volentes preterea et ordinantes, quod scolares dicti nostri collegii Wynton. singulis diebus dominicis et festivis ad ecclesiam parochialem S. Johannis super montem accedant, quamdiu in dictâ parochiâ ipsos morari

[1] Broughton, near Swalcliffe, Bucks, an estate which the bishop purchased in 1377 for his grand-nephew and heir, Sir Thomas Wykeham, kt., and Downton, near Salisbury, the church which the bishop had appropriated to Winchester College in 1381. These preferences are not continued in the final edition of his statutes, which was promulgated in September, 1400.

[2] See p. 287 for a similar provision in the case of the parish school at Kingston-on-Thames.

[3] "Septimum decimum annum" in the final edition of the Statutes.

contigerit, ibidemque ad vesperas, completorium, matutinas, et alias Horas atque missas de die legenda et psallenda cum notâ et cantu more ecclesiastico legant atque psallant devociùs, sicut decet; quodque nullus huiusmodi scolarium a premissis se absentet, nisi ex causâ legitimâ, per ipsum magistrum seu eius locum tenentem approbandâ, fuerit impeditus, sub penâ privacionis comunarum suarum per quindecim dies, diem, quo se absque causâ huiusmodi legitimâ absentaverit, immediatè sequentes.

Volumus insuper, (et) vos, mm. Nicholaum, Thomam Cranlegh, et Johannem de Ketone attentè rogamus, quatenus m. Johanni de Melton, dictorum scolarium magistro informatori, et Johanni Seward, eius vices gerenti, firmiter injungatis, ut ipsi hec omnia proximè superiùs recitata a dictis scolaribus nostri collegii Wynton. deceterò realiter et debitè faciant observari sub debito eorum juramenti nobis prestiti ab eisdem.

Valete feliciter in filio Virginis Gloriose.

Scriptum apud Esshere, viij die mensis Aprilis, dilecto consanguineo nostro m. Nicholao Wykeham, custodi collegii nostri Oxon., et mm. Thome Cranlegh, sacre pagine professori, domino Johanni Ketone, ac Johanni Meltone.[1]

Circular to the clergy of the diocese on behalf of collectors of alms for the sacrist of Winchester cathedral.—Marwell, 14 April, 1384.

[233 b.] Monition against stone throwing and ball play in the graveyard of Winchester cathedral[2]:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio, archidiaconi nostri Wynton. officiali, s. g. et b. Ad ecclesiarum tuicionem, ne cuiusquam temerariis ausibus prophanentur, aut ipsarum honestas quâvis turpitudine seu spurciciâ inquinetur, et ut cuius in pace factus est locus, eius cultus fiat cum debitâ veneracione pacificus, ordinarios locorum tantò promptiùs oportet intendere, quantò immunitatis et decoris ipsarum violacio, in divine magestatis injuriam et contemptum dampnabiliùs noscitur redundare.

[1] The schoolmaster, who held office until Michaelmas, 1394.

[2] The following notice has appeared since December, 1897, in various parts of the cathedral precincts:—"Any one throwing stones or using catapults near the cathedral will be severely punished."

Sane ad aures nostras multorum informacione pervenit, quod quidam clerici et laici, quorum nomina ignorantur et persone, nostre ecclesie cathedralis cimeterium divinis obsequiis dedicatum ingredientes in eodem ad pilas ludere, jactaciones lapidum facere,[1] per quas fracciones fenestrarum ipsius nostre ecclesie sepe fiunt, et alia dampna inferuntur eidem,[2] coreas facere dissolutas, et interdum canere cantilenas, ludibriorum spectacula facere, saltaciones et alios ludos inhonestos frequentare, ac multas alias insolencias perpetrare, ex quibus cimeterii huiusmodi execracio seu pollucio frequenciùs verisimiliter formidetur, sunt temerè assueti, in divine magestatis offensam, animarum suarum grave periculum, predicteque nostre ecclesie prejudicium manifestum et scandalum plurimorum.

Ne igitur transgressiones invalescant huiusmodi, aliisque veniant in exemplum, et ne, ubi est peccatorum venia postulanda, ibi peccandi detur occasio, aut deprehendantur peccata committi, vobis in virtute obediencie firmiter injungendo mandamus, quatenus, etc. Excommunication denounced in common form. —Same date.

Appointment of m. Thomas Boys as coadjutor at Brown Candover, the rector (Richard Belle, vol. i, p. 105), being of unsound mind.—Marwell, 18 April, 1384.

Monition of parochial clergy to collect pentecostals for the sacrist of Winchester Cathedral—certam annuam prestacionem in festo Pentecostes per ipsos rectores et vicarios a suis parochianis colligendum, vulgariter *Pentecostale* nuncupatum, in signum reverencie et honoris, ac propter ipsorum annuam visitacionem ecclesie nostre predicte, juxta consuetudinem in ipsâ nostrâ diocesi a tempore cuius contrarii memoriâ hominum non existit et aliis diocesibus Cantuariensis provincie observatam.—Same date.

Will of John Wecche, "familiaris servitor" of the bishop, Englished:—

After usual preface, bequeaths to church of St. Swithun, 6*s.* 8*d.*; to church of St. Mary Magdalen, Southwark, 6*s.* 8*d.*;

[1] Gettre de pere (slinging stones) is one of the sports forbidden by 12 Ric. II, s. 6.

[2] The space between two buttresses, as Eton men know, is just the place for a game of fives, in which the window above must occasionally suffer. See statutes of Winchester college, Rubric xliii.

to each light there, 20*d.*; to each officiating chaplain, 20*d.*; to the major clerk, 20*d.*; to the minor clerk, 12*s.*; to the sick poor in St. Thomas' hospital, Southwark, 6*s.* 8*d.*; to the lepers at the Lock (leprosis atte Loke), 40*d.*; to Walter Rudene, of Shere, his serving man, 20*s.*; to Joan Dorlynge, 6*s.* 8*d.* Executrix, his widow, under supervision of sir John Waltham and Roger Chaundeler, of Southwark. The residue of his estate, for greater security, he had given in his lifetime to Agnes his wife, and Adam, Andrew, and Agnes his children, to be disposed of for the good of his soul and their support, under advice of his supervisors.—Dated on Monday, 1 August, 1384, and proved at Southwark 27th of same month.

[**234 b.**] Official of archdeacon of Surrey directed to monish a list of clergy to return into residence within a month—quod infra unius mensis spacium a tempore monicionis huiusmodi continuè numerandum ad ecclesias suas predictas redeant, et sub penâ juris, prout ipsarum ecclesiarum cura requirit, personaliter resideant in eisdem, quoad curam, hospitalitatem, et cetera onera, que eis incumbunt, in suis ecclesiis verbo proficientes preter et exemplo. Citantes, etc.—*Ib.*, 18 April, 1388.

[**235 a.**] Appointment of ds. John Peyntour as coadjutor to r. of Farley Chamberlayne (vol. i, p. 134).—*Ib.*, 24 April.

Publication of summons to convocation at St. Paul's, 10 Feb. —*Ib.*, 6 Feb., 1387–8.

[**236 a.**] License granted to William Chechele, citizen of London, for an oratory in his own house or elsewhere in the diocese, during the pleasure of the bishop.—*Ib.*, 5 May, 1388.

Monition of prior of Merton to repair the chancel of Effingham :—

Cum in singulis visitacionibus nostris detectum fuerit et compertum, quod cancellus ecclesie de Effyngham, nostre diocesis, vobis in monasterio vestro predicto, ut dicitur, appropriate, in eius cooperturâ, parietibus, et fenestris tam magnam et patentem notoriè patitur ruinam, prout eciam gravis parochianorum ipsius ecclesie querela jam tardè[1] nobis innotuit, quod in ipso cancello nullus potuit adire, neque potest divina officia celebrare, pro quorum reparacione defectuum contra vos procedere hactenus

[1] Quite lately.

distulimus, sub spe reparacionis debite defectuum eorundem. Nos igitur predicte ecclesie dispendiis in hâc parte occurrere ac constitucionem bone memorie domini Ottoboni, quondam sedis apostolice in Angliâ legati, que incipit *Sic improbam quorumdam religiosorum avariciam, qui licet de ecclesiis eis appropriatis multa bona suscipiant, cancellos tamen ecclesiarum earundem atque domos, in quibus honestè possint recipi visitantes reparare et conservare negligunt, prosequentis* editam in hâc parte execucioni debite demandare volentes, vobis domino priori predicto firmiter injungendo mandamus, ac vos tenore presencium monemus primò, secundò, et terciò, ac peremptoriè, quatenus, etc.—*Ib.*, 20 April.

Similar monition addressed to prior of Newark, touching the chancel of Weybridge.

Excommunication denounced against certain who poached fish in the pond at Beaurepaire belonging to Sir Bernard Brocas, kt., by mandate to the dean of Basingstoke, the rectors of Sherfield, Schilchestre (Silchester), and Stratfieldsaye, the vicars of Basingstoke, Bramlegh (Bramley), and Shirbourne St. John, and the curate of Basing :—Querelam dilecti filii domini Brokas, militis, grave recepimus, continentem, quod nonnulli iniquitatis filii, quorum nomina ignorantur penitus et persone, stagnum de Beurep,[1] necnon stagna Thome Leche et Umfridi Gilot, nostre diocesis, preter et contra eorum voluntatem piscati sunt, ac pisces captos in eisdem furtivè asportârunt, in animarum suarum grave periculum, dictorumque domini Bernardi, Thome, et Umfridi dampnum non modicum et jacturam. Super quibus dictus dominus Bernardus sibi petebat per nos de remedio provideri oportuno.

Nos igitur, attendentes quod furtum facere contra divinum est preceptum, cuius transgressorem mortale peccatum committere non ambiguimus, nec dimittitur peccatum, donec restituatur ablatum, vobis communiter et divisim committimus et mandamus, in virtute obediencie firmiter injungentes, quatenus in ecclesiis predictis moneatis et efficaciter inducatis, monerive faciatis et induci publicè et generaliter omnes et singulos huiusmodi pisces capientes, asportantes, seu huiusmodi piscacionem pisciumque

[1] The name is spelt Baroper in Speed's map of 1610 and Blaeu's map of 1648, Barope in Morden's map of 1700, and Beaurepaire in Greenwood's map of 1827.

asportacionem eorum nomine, vel a familiaribus notis vel amicis suis factas ratas habentes, quod infra quindecim dierum spacium a tempore monicionis vestre continuò numerandorum . . . . huiusmodi pisces prefatis domino Bernardo, Thome, ac Umfrido reddant et restituant, si extent, seu aliter de eisdem eis satisfaciant debitè, ut tenentur, sub penâ, etc.—Same date.

[236 b.] Confirmation of a lease for 80 years from Easter, 2 Ric. II, granted by the prior and brethren of St. Thomas the Martyr's hospital, Southwark, to Edmund Halstede, citizen and woolmonger, of a mansion or inn with two gardens adjoining, and the appurtenances, at the yearly rent of 26*s.* 8*d.*, payable quarterly, with a penalty of £10 if the rent should be one year in arrear.—*Ib.*, 28 Jan., 1387.

[237 a.] Petition of parishioners of St. Martin without Westgate, Winchester, for leave to repair the chapel of St. Mary Westgate with slate and timber from the ruins of St. Martin's church granted :—

Memorandum, quod vicesimo die mensis Aprilis, anno domini millesimo CCC^mo^ octogesimonono, apud Wolveseye, dominus episcopus concessit peticionem subscriptam in formâ quâ petitur, et sicut et prout in ipsâ pleniùs continetur :—

A tresgraciouse et treshonorable sire et piere en Dieu supplie les poures parochianes del chapelle notre dame de Westgate de Wyncestre, q come ils avount une esglize en mesme le paroche qe men appelle seynt Martyn, la quele esglise est tout decas, et la dite chapele deinz la dite paroche ruinouse et feble : qe plese de votre pierie ordeiner qe la dite chapele puis estre meintenez en aide de dite parochianes, a cause q la dite chapelle suffit pur eux, et q les defautes de dite chapelle purront estre amenduz ove le sclat et marein de dit esglize de seynt Martyn pur Dieu et en oevre de charite.

Return to summons to convocation at St. Paul's on the 12th day of October, pursuant to writ dated at Oxford, 28 July.—Ditton, 10 Oct., 1387.

[238 b.] Circular to rectors of Alresford, Cheriton, Hinton Ampner, East Tisted, Warnford, and Bramdean, and vicars of Bishop's Sutton, West Tisted, and Itchen Stoke, and generally

to the clergy of deaneries of Alresford and Alton, denouncing excommunication against poachers in the bishop's park at Sutton, and the chace and warren there.—Wolvesey, 16 April, 1389.

Declaration by the bishop at Farnham, 23 April, 1389, that m. Nicholas Wykeham, warden of New College, is excused from residence[1]:—

Nos Willelmus, etc., fundator collegii beate Marie Wynton. in Oxon., "*Seinte Marie College of Wynchestre*" vulgariter nuncupati, dicimus et declaramus nostre intencionis non fuisse aut esse m. Nicholaum Wykeham, custodem dicti collegii, per aliqua statuta ipsius collegii jam facta vel imposterum facienda, seu virtute aut vigore ipsorum, vel alicuius eorum, ad personalem seu continuam residenciam in dicto collegio nostro faciendam teneri, aut aliquo statuto huiusmodi debuisse aut debere artari, quod officium custodie dicti collegii redderet incompatibile cum aliquibus beneficiis suis ecclesiasticis, cum curâ vel sine curâ, uno vel pluribus, quod vel que dictus m. Nicholaus obtinuit aut obtinet in presenti, vel imposterum obtinebit, statutis et ordinacionibus nostris prefati collegii factis et faciendis, quoad personas alias custodes futuros eiusdem collegii in omnibus semper salvis.

Nicholas Wykeham resigns the wardenship:—

[239 b.] "In Dei nomine, amen. Coram vobis notariis et testibus hic presentibus ego Nicholaus Wykeham, custos, etc., non vi coactus, nec metu aut dolo inductus, set meâ purâ et spontaneâ voluntate, ac ex certâ scienciâ, omni juri et titulo michi competenti in custodiâ dicti collegii seu officio custodie palam et expressè renuncio, ac cedo eidem, dictumque officium re et verbo penitus dimitto."

This resignation was made on the morrow of St. Mark the Evangelist (26 April) in the chapel at Farnham Castle before the bishop in the presence of John de Campeden, r. of Cheriton; John Ayllemer, canon of Exeter; John Sturmynstre, r. of Withyham; Richard Framlyngham, a priest of the diocese of Norwich; and John Ware the registrar, and John Swafham, notaries public.

[1] Made in the hope, apparently, that Nicholas Wykeham would retain the wardenship, which he nevertheless resigned three days later, on promotion to the prebend of Bedwin in Sarum cathedral.

Resignation by Thomas Cranlegh of the wardenship of Winchester College in similar terms.—Southwark, 12 May, 1389.

Collation of Thomas Cranlegh to wardenship of New College :—

In Dei nomine, amen. Nos Willelmus, etc., fundator collegii beate Marie Wynton. in Oxon., tibi m. Thome Cranlegh, sacre pagine professori, de cuius discrecione, consciencie puritate, ac circumspeccionis industriâ ad plenum confidimus, officium custodis in dicto nostro collegio conferimus, teque in eiusdem collegii custodem perpetuum preficimus per presentes, regimen et gubernacionem dicti collegii in spiritualibus et temporalibus, ac personarum eiusdem, tibi plenariè committentes, statutis et ordinacionibus nostris eiusdem collegii de eleccione custodis seu aliis non obstantibus quibuscunque; que tamen et quas quoad custodes futuros, cum aliàs idem officium vacare contigerit, in suo robore volumus permanere.—Southwark, 13 May, 1389.

[240 a.] Another copy, omitting the description of the bishop as "fundator collegii."—Same date.

Fellows and scholars enjoined to obey warden Cranlegh :—

Willelmus, etc., universis et singulis sociis et scolaribus collegii nostri beate Marie Wynton. in Oxon. et ceteris ipsius collegii personis quibuscunque, s. g. et b. Cum nos m. Thome Cranlegh, sacre pagine professori, de cuius discrecione, consciencie puritate, ac circumspeccionis industriâ ad plenum confidimus, officium custodis dicti nostri collegii contulerimus, etc., vobis firmiter injungendo mandamus, quatenus vos prefato m. Thome Cranlegh reverenciam debitam exhibentes, in omnibus que ad custodis officium juxta ordinaciones et statuta eiusdem nostri collegii pertinent, obediatis humiliterque pareatis, et prompte devocionis obsequio intendatis eidem, ipsiusque monita, exhortaciones, et precepta diligenti studio exequi et proficere curetis, sicut decet.—Same date.

Collation of m. John Westcote, S. T. B., to wardenship of Winchester college, in similar form.—Southwark, 23 May, 1389.

[240 b.] The above collation repeated.

Schoolmaster and scholars enjoined to obey warden Westcote :—

Willelmus, etc., Johanni de Melton, magistro informatori scolarum gramaticalium collegii nostri sancte Marie prope civitatem Wynton., ac universis et singulis scolaribus ceterisque ipsius collegii ministris et personis quibuscunque, s. g. b. Cum nos m. Johannem Westcote, etc., as on collation of Cranlegh, *supra.*—Same date.

Excommunication denounced at the relation of Roger Crowere and John Martyn, parishioners, against persons unknown, who stole from Worplesdon church a chalice and books, to wit, a portiphory, a missal, an ordinal, and a psalter.—Farnham, 20 Jan., 1388–9.

[241 a.] Commission granted to Simon, bishop of Achonry, "quia circa domini nostri regis et regni negocia multipliciter occupati, officium nostrum pastorale in nostrâ diocesi usquequaque impendere non valemus," to hear confessions, impose penance, grant absolution, dedicate and reconcile churches, chapels, altars, ornaments, and vessels, confirm, and grant the first tonsure during pleasure, and confer Holy Orders on the next Saturday *quatuor temporum* after the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.—Ditton, 12 September, 1388.

This commission was renewed, 24 Jan., 1389–90.

Mandate directed to archdeacon of Winchester to admonish the laity not to attend markets on Sundays or feast-days :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio archidiacono nostro Wyntoniensi, vel eius officiali, s. g. et b. Licet tam veteris quam novi testamenti pagina diem ebdomade septimum, id est sacrum diem dominicum, ad humanam quietem specialiter deputavit, et tam ipsum diem a vesperâ in vesperam, quam dies alios Maiestati Altissime deputatos, necnon alia sanctorum festa per ecclesiam instituta ab omnibus catholicis rite decreverit ferianda, et in hiis ab omni opere seculari, rurali, et mechanico penitus abstinendum, ut sic fidelis quisque, sue creacionis recognoscens principium, ipsis diebus ad ecclesiam suam parochialem accederet reverenter, de commissis suis veniam petiturus, et quod per ebdomadam illicitè commisit, seu negligenter omisit, jugi contemplacionis instanciâ suppleturus, sancta quoque Dei ministeria jugiter honoraret, mandataque ecclesie ibidem exponenda humiliter addisceret ac servaret, atque in ipsis ecclesiis, tanquam locis

oracionis consecratis, non solum pro se ipso, verum eciam pro omni gradu, tam ecclesiastice quam secularis milicie, circa predictos Deo et eius sanctis devotè fundendas operam daret sollicitam, omnimodâ seculari curâ postpositâ et cessante.

Ex multorum tamen relacione fidedignâ intelleximus displicenter, quod nonnulli laici, clerici seculares, et religiosi nostre diocesis, Dei honore et sanctorum eius contempto, diebus huiusmodi passim et indistinctè mercata tenere et frequentare, operaque ruralia, mechanica, et servilia facere et exercere, laciniis,[1] contumeliis, et ebrietatibus insistere et vacare, in divine maiestatis offensam, non verentur.

Quo fit, ut dum diebus supradictis ad mercata seu fora huiusmodi, in quibus potencia crescit diabolica, confluat populi multitudo, in sacrosanctis ecclesiis, propter absenciam fidelium, cessat Dei et sanctorum reverencia, sacra misteria nequaquam, ut condecet, in debitâ veneracione habentur, et orancium devocio nimiùm subtrahitur et tepescit, in Dei et sancte ecclesie irreverenciam, animarum grave periculum, et preceptorum divinorum, ymo religionis Christiane, contemptum, et scandalum manifestum.

Vobis igitur committimus et mandamus . . . quatenus clerum et populum . . . moneatis . . . ut ab huiusmodi mercatis, foris ceterisque illicitis operibus supradictis diebus dominicis et festivis se abstineant penitus et desistant; quodque dies ipsos, prout suis acciderint temporibus, summo opere observent, et debito venerentur officio, atque ad parochiales eorum ecclesias diebus ipsis reverenter accedant, missarum et aliorum divinorum officiorum incepcionem et complecionem ibidem expectent, pro ipsorum parentum, fratrum, sororum, benefactorum suorum, ceterorumque fidelium vivorum, et defunctorum animabus sinceris mentibus oraturi, etc.—Farnham, 24 Jan., 1388–9.

[241 b.] Mandate to the official to get in arrears of pensions on archidiaconate of Winchester (two years), Leatherhead (eight years), Dorking (thirteen years), and Witley (eleven years).—*Ib.*, 26 Jan.

Simon, bp. of Achonry, commissioned to reconcile the convent church of St. Mary Overy, Southwark, and the church

[1] Viae lacina or lacinia, according to Du Cange, "est obstaculum viae." It seems to mean here the kind of obstruction caused by idlers near church doors, such as is now punishable under the county bye-laws made in 1896.

of St. Mary Magdalen annexed, and dedicate the altars and graveyard.—Southwark, 7 Feb., 1388–9.

[242 a.] Will of John Colerere, cooper, of St. Margaret's, Southwark, Englished :—

I bequeath to the rector of St. Margaret's "pro decimis et oblacionibus oblitis," 12*d.* ; to the curate, 6*d.* ; to Thomas, chaplain of St. Katherine's in said church, 6*d.* ; to John the chaplain who is saying masses for the soul of William Sadelere, 4*d.* ; to Richard the parish clerk, 3*d.*, and to Martin under him, 3*d.* ; to the fabric of St. Paul's, London, 40*d.* ; to the mother-church at Winchester, 40*d.* ; to pay three fit chaplains for my year's mind, £20. ; to Thomas Bolesante, "cobelere," 4*s.* Residue to Joan my wife and William my son, at their disposition. Executors, the widow and Geoffrey Hostilere, under supervision of Richard Newyle. Dated Wednesday after St. Martin, bishop (Nov. 11), 1388, and proved 22 January, 1388–9, at Southwark.

Commission to deliver to bp. of Rochester a papal license to appropriate the church of Swalcliffe, Bucks, to New College, Oxford [1]— presentandi venerabili in Christo patri, etc., literas apostolicas, appropriacionem ecclesiarum de Swalclyve et Broughton, Lincolniensis diocesis, concernentes, eidem domino episcopo directas, ac ipsum venerabilem patrem ut ecclesiam parochialem de Swalclyve predictum collegio nostro beate Marie Wynton. in Oxoniâ per nos instituto unire, annectere, et incorporare, ac ulteriùs in negocio appropriacionis ecclesie huiusmodi procedere, juxta formam et tenorem literarum apostolicarum predictarum dignetur, cum instanciâ et humiliter requirendi, necnon testes, literas, et instrumenta, aliasque probaciones et documenta in huiusmodi negocio necessaria et oportuna producendi, exhibendi, et ministrandi, ac juramentum de veritate dicendâ, et aliud quodcunque genus liciti sacramenti, in animam nostram prestandi, ceteraque omnia et singula faciendi exercendi et expediendi, que in premissis, vel circa ea, necessaria fuerint, vel quomodolibet oportuna, eciam si talia sunt, que de suâ naturâ mandatum exigant magis speciale.

Ratum et gratum perpetuò habituri, etc.—Southwark, 6 Feb., 1388–9.

[1] The bishop purchased the advowson of Swalcliffe of Thomas Wykeham of Swalcliffe in 1382.—*Moberly*, p. 165.

[242 b.] License of non-residence granted to Thomas Etone, r. of Hambledon, Surrey, in order to be in attendance on sir Thomas Brewes, kt.—Farnham, 10 Jan., 1388–9.

Similar license to r. of Buckland (John Pynnore, vol. i, p. 162), for two years, at request of m. John de Campeden.—Southwark, 4 July, 1389.

License for bp. of Bath and Wells[1] to confer orders in his private chapel at Dogmersfield, on Saturday in first week of Lent, and to make and consecrate sacrum crisma, oleum sanctum, and oleum infirmorum on Holy Thursday.—*Ib.*, 26 Feb., 1388–9.

Similar license to confer priest's orders on John Stanton, r. of Binfield, dio. Linc., *commensalis* of the bp. of Bath and Wells.—Farnham, 4 April, 1389.

Mandate directed to prior and convent of Selborne, to receive a canon of Newark to do penance, and be kept in seclusion until further orders :—

Willelmus, etc. Quia f. Johannem Chertese, canonicum reglarem prioratûs de Novo Loco, ordinis vestri predicti, et in eâdem domo professum, qui absque gravi scandalo in eodem prioratu morari non poterit propter eius excessus et delicta inibi commissa, necnon propter scandala que ex factis suis illicitis et enormibus dicto prioratui notoriè prevenerunt, a domo suâ predictâ ad vos et vestram domum ad agendam ibi penitenciam duximus legitimè transferendum juxta canonica instituta et sanctorum patrum constituciones editas in hâc parte :

Vobis firmiter injungendo mandamus, quatenus dictum f. Johannem Chertese ad tempus apud vos sumptibus prioratûs de Novo Loco predicto moraturum benigniùs admittatis, qui ibidem in omnibus reglari discipline subjaceat, sicque et taliter ordinantes, ut idem f. Johannes sub securâ custodiâ existat, nec sibi certum locum prioratûs vestri sibi per vos limitandum exire liceat, aut cum secularibus habere tractatum, donec de ipsius vite correccione apparuerit, et aliud a nobis habueritis in mandatis.—Esher, 9 March, 1388–9.

Mandate to vicar of Farnham to admonish certain parishioners, under pain of ecclesiastical censure, to pay to the

[1] Ralph Ergham, bp. of Salisbury, transl. to Bath and Wells 1388, d. 1400.

collector their quota of a sum being raised by the parishioners for the purchase of bells.[1]—Farnham, 18 Jan., 1388–9.

[243 a.] Confirmation by bp. of Bath and Wells of an ordination of the vicarage of St. Mary Magdalen, Taunton, in the time of bp. Walter[2], by Antony de Bradeneye, his official, and Henry de Sharyngtone, archdeacon of Taunton, dated on Tuesday after All Saints', 1308.[3]

[243 b.] By virtue of this ordination, the vicar omnes et singulas porciones, in quibus instituitur et admittitur, pro se et suis successoribus habeat imperpetuum, teneat, et possideat in quiete, videlicet quâlibet septimanâ per annum recipiet viginti unum panes canonicales,[4] scilicet per diem tres panes, et quadraginta duas lagenas cervisie conventualis, scilicet per diem sex lagenas, et septem panes semel bultatos,[5] ponderis sicut panes canonicales, et viginti et octo panes siliginis,[6] et septem lagenas cervisie celerie,[7] et percipiet singulis annis de dicto priore Tantonensi et conventu eiusdem quindecim marcas argenti, et sex carratas (loads) feni, et septem bussellos avenarum singulis septimanis pro equo suo sustinendo, et duos solidos pro ferrurâ equi sui per annum.[8] Et participiet omnia in parochiâ sibi legata, et habeat domum et curtillagium, prout predecessores sui hactenus possiderunt, ac idem optinet in presenti, cum curâ tamen et onere subsequente, videlicet, quod capelle beate Marie Magdalene Tantone, de Castro, de Trendle,[9] et de Fonte S. Georgii in sacramentis ecclesiasticis, ceterisque dictis omnibus parochianis dictorum locorum per se et suos proprios sacerdotes suis sumptibus, ut convenit, ministrabit seu faciat deserviri, hoc adjecto, quod presbyterum deservientem capelle apud Trendle inveniet continuè comorantem, quamcitiùs parochiani dicte capelle pro presbytero habitando ibidem domum providerint competentem, ut sic parochiani periculis, qui pro carenciâ presbyteri comorantis in

[1] See note, p. 284. [2] Walter Haselshawe (1302–8).

[3] See Collinson's *History and Antiquities of Somersetshire*, III, 237, where a summary of this ordination is quoted from the Wells Episcopal Register.

[4] Panis canonicus, according to Du Cange, "dicitur Rotomagi parvulus panis, qui unicuique canonico praebetur"—is the name at Rouen for the small loaf allowed to each canon daily.

[5] Of seconds flour. [6] Of fine wheaten flour. [7] Cellared or stock ale: the best.

[8] All this quantity of provision was doubtless required in order to enable the vicar to show due hospitality in a populous place like Taunton.

[9] Now Trull, two miles south of Taunton.

loco, seu distanciâ matricis ecclesie, sine juribus ecclesiasticis et salutis viatico frequenciùs antea decesserunt, imposterum obvietur, et cesset scandalum plurimorum.

Volumus insuper et eciam ordinamus in subsidium dicti vicarii et successorum suorum, cui animarum cura tocius parochie dicte ecclesie parochialis per loci ordinarium committitur principaliter et incumbit, quod ds. prior qui prefuerit dicto prioratui capellis de Stoke [1] et de Ristone,[2] que sunt satis contigue, per unum presbyterum secularem, ac capellis de Staplegrove [3] et S. Jacobi [4] per alium presbyterum secularem in dictis locis continuè residentes, parochianis capellarum ipsarum pro se et successoribus suis, propriis stipendiis, in sacramentis ecclesiasticis et divinis de ceterò imperpetuum faciat ministrari ; salvo quod dictus prior qui pro tempore fuerit in capellis S. Georgii de Ristone et S. Jacobi diebus dominicis et solempnibus per quosdam honestos de suis confratribus, licenciâ domini episcopi concordante, in adjutorium presbyterorum huiusmodi, in missis saltem, cum opus fuerit, parochianis predictis valeat deservire.

Item definimus et ordinamus, quod dictus vicarius, et omnes sui presbyteri, celebrantes divina in dictis capellis, fidelitatis faciant juramenta dicto priori et suo rectori in admissione ipsorum, se velle omnes et singulas oblaciones, quas receperint qualitercunque in locis predictis, ipsi priori, vel procuratori suo legitimo, sine difficultate et defalcacione quâcunque, reddere et refundere, ac pleniùs liberare sub debito in hâc parte suo prestito sacramento, et cetera omnia ad ipsum priorem spectancia ad opus suum fideliter conservare, et cum super hiis fuerint requisiti, restituere sine morâ.

Item volumus in augmentum pro dicto vicario porcionum superiùs expressarum duo quarteria frumenti de grangiâ seu de granario prioratûs predicti apud Tantone contra festum Nativitatis Domini de priore dicti loci et suis successoribus percipienda annis singulis dicto vicario et suis successoribus pleniùs liberari perpetuò et persolvi, ut sic statum suum et traditam sibi curam diligenciùs supervideat et [244 a.] honestius valeat supportare.

Item presbyteros, quos per priorem predictum in dictis

[1] Stoke St. Mary, three miles nearly south of Taunton.
[2] Now Ruishton, three miles east of Taunton.
[3] On west side of Taunton : became a separate parish in 1554.
[4] St. James, a parish in the town of Taunton.

capellis decrevimus assignandos, in mandatis canonicis dicto vicario intendere volumus et obedire, prout cura sibi commissa exigit et requirit.

Onera autem ordinaria dicte ecclesie parochiali pleniùs incumbencia religiosi predicti et extraordinariam porcionem suam juxta taxacionem eiusdem undique contingentia sustinere debebunt in omnibus, et subibunt.

Preterea ordinamus, quod dictus prior, qui pro tempore fuerit, libros, vestimenta, et cetera ecclesiastica dicte capelle conveniencia suis sumptibus inveniat et provideat competenter.

Ad quorum omnium observacionem et diligentem custodiam dictum vicarium, qui pro tempore fuerit, artari volumus et astringi, sicut inde suo periculo voluerit et debuerit respondere.

Dated at Taunton, on the Tuesday after All Saints, 1308, and confirmed by bishop of Bath and Wells at Chew on the Tuesday after St. Martin.

[244 b.] Will of Richard Coleshulle, precentor of St. Mary's, Southampton (vol. i, p. 27), Englished :—

Considering "nil morte certius esse, licet eius hora penitus sit incerta," he bequeathes his soul to God, the Blessed Virgin, and St. Michael, and all Saints, and "ut terra terre tradatur," his body to be buried in the chancel of his church, "coram albâ ymagine gloriosissime Virginis Marie in eodem cancello." The legacies are not entered. Residue to his executors, m. John Penkeston, ds. John Yonge, v. of North Stoneham, and Richard Hare, under supervision of Hugh Cran.[1]

Dated on Saturday, being St. Augustine's day (28 August), 1389, and proved at Marwell 18 September.

Grant of indulgence to such as should celebrate the anniversary of the dedication of the church of St. Mary Kalendre, Winchester :—

Universis sancte matris ecclesie filiis presentes literas inspecturis Willelmus, etc., salutem in Deo sempiternam. Cum nuper

[1] This Hugh Cran, or de Craan, was a citizen of Winchester, and had property on the site of Christ's Hospital there, at the junction of Symonds' and St. Swithun's streets, which was known as Fauconer's Corner in his day. from the circumstance of a cobbler of that name living there. He had also property in Calpe Street (now St. Thomas Street), between that street and Minster Street, adjoining the tenement which was used as a school (tenementum prioris ubi scola tenetur) in 1367. His will is dated 20 April, 1401, and was proved 14 December same year.

reverendus in Christo pater dominus Simon, Dei graciâ episcopus Accadensis, ecclesiam beate Marie de Kalendis, civitatis nostre Wynton., auctoritate nostrâ ordinariâ sibi in hâc parte commissâ, ritè ac canonicè dedicaverit, ac propterea universos dicte ecclesie parochianos ad colendum diem annuam dedicacionis huiusmodi, et celebrandum donis volentes spiritualibus adjuvare: Dei omnipotentis immensâ misericordiâ et gloriose virginis Marie, genetricis eiusdem, necnon beatorum Petri et Pauli apostolorum, sanctorumque Confessorum Swithuni, Birini, Ethelwoldi, et Edde, patronorum nostrorum, meritis et precibus confidentes, omnibus dicte ecclesie parochianis, de peccatis suis verò penitentibus et confessis, qui ad ecclesiam predictam in die annuâ dedicacionis eiusdem, et pro octabâ sequenti, causâ devocionis accesserint, ibidemque pro statu prospero et pacifico ecclesie, Regis, et regni Anglie, atque nostro, et animabus omnium fidelium defunctorum, oracionem dominicam cum Salutacione Angelicâ dixerint mente piâ, seu aliàs ad ipsius ecclesie ornamenta seu luminaria grata contulerint seu legaverint obsidia caritatis, tociens quociens, quadraginta dies indulgencie concedimus per presentes.—Southwark, 29 Sept., 1389.

Presentation of ds. John Grene, pr., to second stall in choir of St. Laurence, Candlewick street, founded by John de Pulteneye, citizen of London, to the honour of our Lord's Body.—*Ib.*, 25 Jan., 1389–90.

[245 a.] License granted to Thomas Holland, earl of Kent, to have a daughter of the earl of March[1] baptised in his private chapel.—*Ib.*, 31 Jan., 1389–90.

Bishop of Achonry commissioned to hold an inquiry into the condition of Barton oratory with the assistance of the abbot of Quarr, taking power to suspend Love, the archpriest.—Southwark, 24 Feb., 1389–90.

[245 b.] Dispensation *super illegitimate* for Richard Estone of Odiham :—

In Dei nomine, amen. Nos Willelmus, etc. Quia per in-

[1] Roger, earl of March, married Eleanora, daughter of Thomas, earl of Kent. The daughter was Anne, who married Richard, earl of Cambridge, and was mother of Richard, duke of York, Protector of England, and father of Edward IV.

quisicionem legitimam auctoritate nostrâ factam nobis constat te, Ricardum Estone de Odyham, nostre diocesis, de soluto genitum et solutâ, non esse paterne incontinencie imitatorem set bone conversacionis et vite, sufficientisque literature existere; ac quod alia tibi merita suffragantur ad dispensacionis graciam infrascripte obtinendam: tecum, ut dicto non obstante defectu natalium primam recipere valeas tonsuram clericalem, ac ad omnes ordines promoveri statutis a jure temporibus, et beneficium ecclesiasticum, eciam si curam habeat animarum, obtinere, juxta vim, formam, et effectum literarum reverendi patris, domini Augustini, Dei graciâ episcopi Pennensis, bone memorie, domini nostri pape Urbani penitenciarii, nobis in hâc parte directarum, misericorditer dispensamus.

Ita tamen, quod tu, prout requiret onus beneficii, quod te post dispensacionem huiusmodi obtinere continget, te facias statutis a jure temporibus ad ordines promoveri et personaliter resideas in eodem.

Alioquin nostre huius dispensacionis gracia, quoad ipsum beneficium, nullius penitus sit momenti.—*Ib.*, 20 March, 1388–9.

[246 a.] Memorandum, quod die Mercurii, nono die Marcii anno r. regis Ricardi secundi xiij, venerabilis pater dominus Willelmus de Wykeham, Dei graciâ episcopus Wynton. apud Westm. reddidit Domino regi sigillum suum secretum, videlicet annulum.

Mandate to archd. of Surrey to monish non-resident clergy. —Southwark, 1 March, 1389–90.

[246 b.] Will of Roger Bryklesworth, r. of Droxford,[1] Englished:—

I bequeath my soul to God, and my body to be buried in church of All Saints, Barking, if I die in London. I bequeath my vestment to the altar of Droxford church, with a chasuble of same sort to be purchased by my executors. I bequeath ten quarters of wheat to buy an antiphonary or a gradual for that church. To the fabric of the two chancels of Our Lady adjoining the principal chancel on either side, twenty quarters

[1] Spelled here "Droxford," the earliest instance of this form of the old word "Drokenesforde."

of barley. To the fabric of the nave, ten quarters [247 a.] of wheat. To the poor of the parish, twenty quarters of barley. To two chaplains of honest conversation to say mass for my soul in the church where I may happen to be buried, during one year after my burial, a sufficient salary at the discretion of my executors. To the bishop's college in the University of Oxford a set of the decretals (unum par decretalium). To John Campeden my portiphory. To John Ferour of Hursley, my serving man, five quarters of wheat and five of barley. To William Morvyle, my serving man, a quarter of wheat and a quarter of barley. To the vicar of All Saints, Barking, 3*s.* 4*d.* To the major clerk there, 12*d.* To the under clerk (subclericus) there, 6*d.* To ds. John Wolde, r. of St. Bothaw near Byllyngate, for his great and earnest exertions, 13*s.* 4*d.* To every clerk of All Saints, Barking, and St. Bothaw, who shall be present at "Placebo" and "Dirige" in a surplice and attend Requiem on the day of my burial, if he conveniently can, 12*d.* For my funeral service, if I happen to die in London, £3. 6*s.* 8*d.*, and for distribution amongst the poor, 40*s.* To William Bretford and Alice his wife and Cristina their daughter, a piece of cloth (unum pannum de tanneye[1]). Residue to William Cotone of Bricklesworth. Executors, John de Campeden and said William Cotone.

Dated 26 April, 1390, and proved 13 May, at Southwark.

[247 b.] Commission to Lydeforde the official and Henry, r. of Hannington, to inquire who is bound to provide books, vestments, and ornaments for the chapel of Tangley, and who ought by ancient usage to repair the chapel and fences of the churchyard; in view of a petition of the inhabitants of Tangley for the churchyard to be dedicated, on account of its distance from the parish church of Faccombe and the difficulty of carrying the bodies of the dead from Tangley to Faccombe for interment there.—Southwark, 1 June, 1390.

[248 a.] Commission to administer oath of obedience to warden and scholars of New College, Oxford:—

Willelmus, etc., fundator collegii S. Marie Wynton., in universitate Oxon., dilectis nobis in Christo domino abbati de

[1] Note p. 184.

Oseneye, ordinis S. Augustini, Lincoln. dioc., et m. Nicholao Wykeham, archidiacono Wyltes in ecclesiâ Sarum, salutem in omnium Salvatore. Cum nos certas ordinaciones et statuta varia, que pro salubri regimine dicti nostri collegii, personarum, bonorum, et possessionum eiusdem necessaria et utilia reputamus, divinâ favente clemenciâ, ediderimus, inviolabiliter imperpetuum observanda :

Nos volentes huiusmodi ordinaciones nostras et statuta custodis, sociorum, et scolarium eiusdem collegii juramento vallari, eosque omnes et singulos ad observacionem ordinacionum et statutorum dictorum, juxta ipsorum continenciam et tenorem, astringi vinclo juramenti, ad recipiendum igitur nomine nostro custodis omniumque sociorum et scolarium predictorum de fideliter observando nostras huiusmodi ordinaciones et statuta, quas et que nostri sigilli munimine roborata eis transmittimus, juramenta corporalia juxta formam in eisdem contentam, contradictoresque et rebelles in hâc parte, si qui fuerint, a dicto nostro collegio removendum et penitus expellendum, ceteraque omnia et singula facienda et expedienda, que in hâc parte necessaria fuerint seu eciam oportuna, vobis comuniter et divisim, de quorum fidelitate et circumspeccione plenè confidimus, vices nostras committimus per presentes.—*Ib.*, 16 Feb., 1389–90.

Thomas, Earl of Kent and Alice his wife licensed to have a child that was expected (filium vel filiam vobis nasciturum) baptized in the private chapel at their residence in the New Forest, and to have divine service celebrated there by a fit chaplain, saving the rights of the parish church.—*Ib.*, 12 November, 1390.

[248 b.] Will of Robert Fraunceys, r. of Clapham (vol. i, p. 52), Englished :—

I bequeath my soul to God and my body to be buried in the chancel of Clapham. I bequeath to the fabric of the church, 3*s.* 4*d.*, and to the fabric of the mother-church at Winchester, 12*d.* ; to each poor person on the day of my burial, 2*d.* ; to Reginald the apparitor, 3*s.* 4*d.* ; to Amice Barde, 3*s.* 4*d.* ; to each of my executors, William Tabler, Richard Lamborne of Clapham, sir Thomas Prophete, r. of St. George's, Southwark,

and Roger Chaundeler of Southwark, 3*s.* 4*d.* for his trouble.—Dated 10 September, 1390.

Commission to absolve monks who had laid violent hands upon seculars, and seculars who had laid violent hands upon each other, in the convent of St. Saviour's, Bermondsey :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto in Christo filio religioso viro Willelmo Wedeneye, suppriori monasterii de Bermondeseye, ordinis Cluniacensis, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Cum religiosum quemcunque, qui manus injecerit violentas in clericum secularem, in religionis favorem, et ne hâc (*sic*) pretextu habeat materiam evagandi,[1] eo casu nobis absolvendi, quo clericum possemus secularem, si alium clericum percussisset, sit a jure concessa facultas :

Ad absolvendum igitur in formâ juris ac in casibus nobis a jure permissis monachos quoscunque dicti vestri monasterii manus violentas in clericos seculares injicientes, necnon clericos seculares infra cepta monasterii vestri se adinvicem percussientes (*sic*), injunctâ eis pro modo culpe et quantitate delicti penitenciâ salutari, vobis, de cuius discrecione et circumspeccionis industriâ fiduciam in Domino obtinemus, vices nostras committimus per presentes, donec eas ad nos duxerimus revocandas.—Southwark, 26 October, 1390.

John Fromond[2] appointed bailiff of manor of Clere :—

William, per la suffrance de Dieu evesque de Wyncestre, a toutes ses foialez et loiaux et toutes ses tenantes q cestes lettres verront ou orront, salutz en notre Sieur. Sachez nous avoir ordeinez et faites notre cher et bien ame John Fromond le filtz notre baillif de notre manoir de Clere, ove toutes les membres apportenantz a icelles, a garder noz terres, hundredes, et fraunchises, et noz courtes tenir, et a pursuire et chalanger toutes les droitures et fraunchizes apportenantz a manoire suisdite en toutz lieux, per le temps qil plest a nous. Et pur ceo vous mandons, qe au dit John es choses suisdites soietz entendantz, conseilantz, et responans en duwe manere.

En tesmoigne de quelle chose nous luy avoms fait faire cestes noz lettres patentes, sealles de notre seal.

[1] See p. 20, line 13 from bottom.

[2] John Fromond, of Sparsholt, near Winchester, held the stewardship of the manors of Winchester College from 1408 until his death in 1420. He built and endowed the chantry that bears his name within the College cloisters.

Don a notre manoir de Suthwerk le xij^{me} iour de Januer, lan de regne de notre sieur, le roy Richard le seconde, xiiij^{me} et de notre consecracion xxiiij^{me}.

[251 b.] Fromond appointed bailiff of Waltham, and Edward Coudray of Highclere.—Farnham, 2 June, 1391.

[249 a.] Commission to John, bp. of Sodor, to reconcile the church of St. Mary Overy, Southwark, the adjoining parish church of St. Mary Magdalen, and St. Mary's chapel in the infirmary of the convent church, and their respective graveyards, after pollution by bloodshed.—*Ib.*, 12 Feb., 1390–1.

Grant of mitre and pastoral staff to abbot of Hyde:—

Bonifacius episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis filiis Johanni[1] abbati, et conventui monasterii de Hydâ, ordinis S. Benedicti, Wynton. diocesis, salutem et apostolicam benediccionem. Exposcit nostre devocionis sinceritas, et religionis promeretur honestas, ut tam vos quos speciali dileccione prosequimini, quam monasterium vestrum, dignis honoribus attollamus.

Hinc est, quod nos vestris in hâc parte supplicacionibus inclinati, ut tu abbas dicti monasterii, qui fuerit pro tempore, mitrâ, anulo, et baculo pastorali, et aliis pontificalibus insigniis liberè uti, necnon quod in dicto monasterio et aliis ecclesiis et locis eidem monasterio subjectis, et ad vos comuniter vel divisim pertinentibus, quamvis vobis pleno jure non subsint, benediccionem solempnem post missarum, vesperarum et matutinorum solempnia, ac eciam post comescionem, domodo in benediccione huiusmodi aliquis antistes vel sedis apostolice legatus presens non fuerit, elargiri possitis, felicis recordacionis Alexandri pape quarti, que incipit *Abbates*, et aliis quibuscunque constitucionibus apostolicis in contrarium editis nequaquam obstantibus, vobis et eisdem successoribus auctoritate apostolicâ de speciali graciâ tenore presencium indulgemus.

Nulli ergo omnino hominum liceat hanc paginam nostre concessionis infringere vel ei ausu temerario contraire. Si quis autem hoc attemptare presumpserit, indignacionem Omnipotentis Dei ac beatorum Petri et Pauli apostolorum noverit se incursurum.

Romae, apud S. Petrum, iij Id. April. pontificatûs nostri anno primo.

[1] John de Eynsham, 1381–1394.

Commission directed to official and John Laverans, v. of Kingsclere, to inquire under what circumstances one John Bentele was taken from sanctuary at the parish church of Overton. It appears from the return, dated at Overton, 10 Dec., 1390, that Bentele was in the church one Sunday about Michaelmas, at the hour of vespers, when some person asked him what he was there for: was he a thief or a robber? He replied: Neither; but that he had had the misfortune to kill a man; and went out into the churchyard. While there, he was hailed by one Robert Dyngele, who was standing at the south gate of the churchyard, which happened to be open, and while speaking to Dyngele, one Geoffrey, who was said to be in the employment of John Hert, the shoemaker at Overton, pushed him from behind out of the churchyard into the highway. Had the door been shut instead of open, Bentele would have been inside it; but the spot where he was standing at the time when he was pushed out was quite outside the procession path (semita processionalis) round the churchyard. And while he was struggling to re-enter the churchyard, some men of Overton dragged him away and put him in the stocks (ipsum ad stupas [250 a.] sive stokkas ville predicte ducentes, ipsum imposuerunt eisdem), and afterwards took him to Winchester gaol.—Overton, 10 Dec., 1390.

Commission to prior of St. Swithun's, abbot of Hyde, and the official, to punish the offenders and compel them to replace Bentele in sanctuary.—Esher, 19 Dec.

[250 b.] Petition of the bishop to the king, praying that Bentele may be discharged from gaol—in quo quidem carcere adhuc detinetur, in libertatis ecclesiastice prejudicium manifestum. Vestram igitur magestatem regiam instanter requirimus et rogamus, quatenus pro dicti Johannis liberacione corporali, ut ipse ad eundem locum, a quo extractus fuerat et expulsus, reducatur, scribere dignetur vestra celsitudo regia, etc.—Southwark, 20 Jan., 1390–1.

[250 b.] Sequestration granted against the vicar of Abbots Ann, who had slain a man and was wasting the goods of the church.—Esher, 11 March, 1390–1.

Discharge of Isabel, relict and executrix of the will of sir Thomas Wortynge, kt.—*Ib.*, 20 December, 1390.

[251 a.] Petition by subprior (John Rushton) and convent of Taunton, intimating the death of prior Kyngesbury (6 November, 1391), and asking leave to choose a successor.

Dated at their chapter house, 6 Nov., 1391.

Grant of license to elect a prior.—Esher, 10 November.

Subprior and brethren return that they have chosen Walter Cook—"cum omni, quâ possumus, humilitate et instanciâ supplicantes, quatenus desolacioni nostre solite pietatis compacientes affectu, nobis et eidem electo nostro assensum et consensum in hâc parte dignemini misericorditer impertiri."—From their chapter-house, 21 Nov., 1391.

Presentation of the new prior to the bishop of Bath and Wells.—Esher, 27 November, 1391.

[251 b.] Mandate for prayers for Duke of Gloucester:—

Willelmus, etc. Omnipotens et misericors Deus, dominancium dominus, *qui docet manus justorum ad prelium et digitos eorum ad bellum*, placatus precibus devotorum, quos vult subicere, subicit, et quibus vult, victoriam impertitur. Cum igitur inclitus et illustris princeps ds. Thomas, dux Gloucestriensis, ponens in Domino spem suam, ad partes externas[1] et remotas contra inimicos Crucis Christi pugnaturus ob devocionem pregrandem, quam ad ipsum Dominum nostrum, omnesque sanctos Dei habere dinoscitur, suis gravibus laboribus et expensis jam arripuit iter suum, devocionem vestram attentè rogamus, vos nichilominus in Domino exhortantes, quatenus prefatum dominum ducem Glouc., et ipsius in hâc parte pium propositum in missis et aliis vestris oracionibus, etc., with grant of forty days indulgence.—Esher, 20 November, 1391.

[252 a.] Mandate for prayers for the soul of countess of Devon, mother of archbp. Courtenay, at request of the archbishop.—Marwell, 20 Feb., 1392–3.

[1] He took his departure for foreign parts amid universal regret, "siquidem in eo spes et solacium tocius patrie reposita videretur" (*Wals.* ii, 202), but was driven northwards by storms and finally got back safe to Tynemouth.

Message to John, bp. of Sarum, reciting a bull of Boniface IX, dated at St. Peter's, viij Idus Julii in the second year of his pontificate, directing a sum of eight florins per day, or such other sum as the bishops of London, Winchester, and St. Davids, or any one of them, might deem sufficient, to be raised for the expenses of the nuncio, Damian de Cathaneis, a knight of Genoa, in England on business of the Holy See. The bishop is desired to levy a farthing in the pound on the taxation of benefices in his diocese and remit the sum raised to the nuncio's receiver by Palm Sunday.—Esher, 28 Feb., 1392–3.

[253 a.] Mandate directed to dean of Winchester, to admonish the barbers of Winchester not to open their shops on Sundays.—Marwell, 26 March, 1392.

Mandate in similar form, directed to archdeacon of Surrey, to require the clergy of Southwark to admonish shoemakers and cobblers (alutarii calciamenta nova conficientes et alii eiusdem artis sive artificii gradûs inferioris calciamenta emendantes antiqua et reparantes) not to ply their trade on Sundays and feast days, especially within three miles of London Bridge.—Esher, 2 May.

[253 b.] Administration of the effects of Robert Parkere, who died intestate in the house of Matilda Solaas in the parish of St. George, Southwark, granted to the rector (Thomas Profete, vol. i, p. 27).—Southwark, 2 March, 1391–2.

Copy of archbishop Courtenay's denunciation of "choppe churches" and non-resident clergy, addressed to bp. of London for circulation in the province :—

[254 a.] Willelmus, etc. Grandi nimirum doloris acerbitate turbamur, cum quis de grege nobis credito Altissimum nephariis actibus provocat, et seipsum ferire dampnabili summâ non pavescit, propriam non vitando perniciem, in quâ se precipitari mentis temeritate permittit. Inter alia verò, que velut detestabiliter abhorrenda Superne displicent magestati, scelus nequam avaricie, que est idolorum servitus, et simoniace ambicionis dampnande, humana jura et statuta canonum detestantur, set, proh dolor! hiis diebus reperiuntur nonnulli, *tenebris obturatum intellectum habentes*, quorum mens male fusa exteriùs sic in rebus

corporeis oppressa est, ut neque ad semet ipsos intus redeat, nec Eum, qui est invisibilis, cogitare sufficiat, dum in presenti vitâ superbiunt, dum implantantur honoribus, dum eciam, quod non habent, appetunt, vias Dei in suâ cogitacione contempnunt; alii negociacione numinis graciam Sancti Spiritûs mercari non timent, cum ad ecclesias et ecclesiastica beneficia, quibus non nisi gratis et liberè frui licet, presententur, precia donent, contractus simoniacos occultè iniant, obliti verborum Petri, qui dixit ad Simonem, *Pecunia tua tecum sit in perdicione, quia existimabili* (*sic*) *donum Dei pecuniâ possidere.*

Alii vero quorundam satorum zizannie, subversorum justicie et inaudite abusionis inventorum, ut illis verbis utamur, *choppe churches* communiter appellati, mediacione dolosâ interveniente, execrabili ardore avaricie quandoque in subdolis permutacionibus, hos nimiâ inequalitate beneficiorum, ac illos quandoque obtentis beneficiis fucatis coloribus totaliter destituunt et defraudant in tantum, quod exinde de opulentibus effecti miseri, et *fodere non valentes*, aliquando inordinatâ conceptâ doloris anxietate depereunt, et sepius in cleri et ecclesie scandalum nimiâ egestatis penuriâ mendicare miserabiliter compelluntur. Alii eciam, licet secundum apostolicum *qui altari deservit, vivere debeat de altari*, et *qui ad onus eligitur, repelli non debeat a mercede*, quasdam personas ad ecclesias curatas et ecclesiastica beneficia prece et precio presentari procurant et institui in eisdem, prius nephariè jurati et astricti vinculo juramenti; quod quamdiu beneficia huiusmodi obtinent, nullum exinde comodum vendicabunt, nec de ipsis quovismodo disponent, set ea ad nutum et comodum eorum obtentu primitus vel simpliciter ab eis requisita dimittent.

Unde ubi una ecclesia unius sacerdotis esse debeat, et nullus diversas dignitates ecclesiasticas vel plures ecclesias parochiales reciperet, contra sanctorum canonum instituta, unus qui unicum quamvis modicum vix officium implere sufficeret plurimorum sibi convertit subdolè beneficiorum stipendia, que multis literatis viris vite puritate et testimonio bone fame pollentibus, qui necessitatem patiuntur, possent habundè sufficere equâ distribucione collatâ, cultus divinus minuitur, hospitalitas debita in ipsis beneficiis non servatur, populi exinde contra ecclesiam et ecclesiasticas personas non meritò crescit indevocio, et cura negligitur animarum.

Hii si quidem viri carnales, jussa spiritualia contempnentes, bona temporalia postulant, eterna vero premia non requirunt, set utinam proinde saltem metu pene ad eorum correccionem considerare vellent, qualiter Redemptor humani generis *omnes ementes et vendentes de Templo eiciens, cathedras vendencium columbas evertit, nummulariorum effudit*, eo precepti sui auctoritatem denuncians, et dicens *Nolite facere domum Patris mei domum negociacionis.*

Illud quoque in eodem facto sollicitè attendere debent, quod per totum textum evangelii nusquam reperitur Dominum in tantâ severitate tam districtâ censurâ justicie peccantes corripuisse, cum non solum eloquio increpans verum eciam *facto flagello funiculis verberans eos eliminaverit de Templo*, aptè demonstrans, quod tales negociatores non sicut ceteri peccatores corripiendi, set ab ecclesiâ Dei sunt longiùs repellendi.

Nonnulli preterea, quod dolendum est, ecclesiarum non rectores set raptores, non boni pastores gregem suum cognoscentes, set velut mercenarii, ad quos non pertinet de ovibus, qui, sicut visibiliter est timendum Dei omnipotentis indignacionem et iram in die ire, furorem Divinum cumulantes, curâ suâ et debitâ hospitalitate neglectis, in cleri opprobrium, ut de aliis eorum insolenciis taceamus, absque causâ necessitatâ et racionabili, impudenter Londoniis comorantur, patrimonium Ihu Christi devorantes ac bona pauperum, esuriencium panem, nudorum vestimenta, redemptionem miserorum, ad eorum intuitum miserabilibus usibus consumentes ; qui sunt istis injustiores aut tam avari, qui ducatum aliis prebere tenentur, et eos bene vivendo per [255 a.] exempla recte operacionis[1]...perire multorum alimenta non suum usum set habundanciam et delicias faciunt, nec loqui audeant cum verbis prophete *Dominus pars hereditatis mee*, set pociùs *scienciam viarum tuarum nolumus.*

Cum igitur nobis sit cure potissimum de animarum salute curare, quarum exactissima racio a nobis in examine terribili requiretur, premissa in scandalum cleri ecclesie anglicane ac plurimorum periculum animarum et perniciosum exemplum sub connivenciâ ulteriùs, multorum eciam ad hoc conquescione pulsati, tollerare nolentes, vestre fraternitati committimus et in virtute obediencie firmiter injungendo mandamus, et per vos ceteris nostris suffraganeis et cöepiscopis nostre Cantuariensis

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provincie injungi volumus et mandamus, quatenus a quibuscunque personis vobis et ipsis ad beneficia ecclesiastica in vestrâ et eorum diocesibus vacancia et vacatura deceterò presentandis recipiatis et recipiant corporalia juramenta, quod propter earum presentacionem non dederint nec promiserint, directè vel indirectè, per se vel submissas personas aliquid presentantibus vel aliis personis quibuscunque, quodque obligati non sunt, nec eorum amici pro se, juratoriâ aut pecuniariâ caucione de ipsis beneficiis resignandis vel permutandis, nec aliquod illicitum in eâ parte contractum, factum, vel permissum de ipsorum voluntate et sciencià sunt sortiti: necnon in permutacione faciendâ deceterò procuratoriâ, licet sub signo notarii redacta fuerit in publicam nocionem, nisi partes quas principaliter tangit negocium hiis personaliter interfuerint, non admittatur nec admittant de facili, absque examinacione providâ equalitatum valorum beneficiorum permutandorum, interpositis hinc et inde juramentis quod nulla in huiusmodi permutacione simoniaca pravitas aut fraus vel dolus interveniat, publicè vel occultè.

Non residentes insuper in vestrâ et eorum diocesi, nisi subsit evidens, utilis, et racionabilis causa, ad residenciam personalem et officium, propter quod datur beneficium, inpendendum, revocetis et revocent cum effectu, ne ipsorum sanguis de vestris aut eorum, quod absit, manibus requiratur, quousque in beneficiis ecclesiasticis simoniacè vel fraude predictâ intitulatos, quin veriùs intrusos inveneritis, debite animadversionis stimulo percellatis et percellant, cum ubi tales intercessores ad locum regiminis adducantur, quorum radix gravi peste infecta est maior locis illis intuenda est calamitas quam placacio Dei, cuius iracundiam exinde contra eos temere provocaverit, necnon predictos iniquitatis alumpnos, clerum et ecclesiam blasphemantes, maledictos Gizei et Simonis consortes in crimine, *choppechurches* vulgariter appellatos, in civitate Londoniensi pro maiori parte degentes, ut dicitur, publicê et in genere moneri faciatis, quod ab eorum morbosâ contagione et dampnosâ procuracione permutacionum et decepcionum huiusmodi, per ipsorum conventicula et sediciones simoniacas deceterò fienda, desistant, ac desistat eorum quilibet cum effectu.

Ac obligaciones, convenciones, et pacta in eâ parte hactenus ipsorum subdolâ instigacione confecta, quibuscunque fuerint firmitatibus juramentorum, que ipso facto nulla penitus sunt

condenda, vallata, quatenus in eis fuerit, disrumpant, cassent, et relaxent, talia deceterò non facturi, ac dolos, fraudes et dampnabiles contractus simoniacos hactenus eorum procuracione vel assensu factos vel commissos, quos dirimere in ipsorum potestate non cadit, nobis aut vobis seu ordinariis locorum, in quorum diocesibus huiusmodi beneficia, circa que predicte decepciones facte fuerint, confiscent absque colore vel palliacione quâcunque, penitenciam condignam, juxta eorum demerita, humiliter recepturi infra xv dierum spacium a tempore monicionis predicte continuè numerandorum (quorum xv dierum quinque pro primo, quinque pro secundo, et reliquos v dies pro tercio ac peremptorio termino eis et eorum cuilibet assignamus), detegant et revelent, sub penâ excommunicacionis maioris, quam in ipsos et eorum quemlibet in huiusmodi monicionibus non penitentem cum effectu post lapsum dictorum xv dierum, morâ, culpâ, et offensâ eorum precedentibus, ac predictâ canonicâ monicione premissâ, exnunc pro extunc ferimus in hiis scriptis; vobis districciùs injungentes, et per vos prefatis coepiscopis et confratribus nostris simili modo injungi mandantes, quatenus predictos hereditatis Domini pessimos mercatores plures ecclesias et dignitates sic fraudulenter ut prefertur, in vestrâ et eorum diocesibus obtinentes, ac eosdem adversitatis alumpnos *choppechurches* communiter dictos, et maximè in sacris ordinibus constitutos, quorum abusiones et nephas dampnat clerus, abhominatur populus, et utriusque sextûs consortium detestatur, ecclesiastice animadversionis mucrone [255 b.] feriatis et feriant, ut metus pene meta ipsorum avaricie et presumpcionis existat, et alios presumptores ab illicitis coherceat per exemplum, ne ipsorum, quod absit, contumaciâ nequicia per repetitos clamores aliorum ob vestrî et ipsorum desidiam nostro conspectui iteratò veniat propalatum, et nos ex vestrâ huiusmodi negligenciâ et torpore manus ipsas ad succidendos infructuosos palmites, nocivos et pestiferos, quos produxit ficus fatua, extendamus. Et quid feceritis, etc.—Slindon, 5 March, 1392.

[255 b.] Presentation of Alan Wombe, pr., to the vicarage of Harmondsworth,[1] by warden and scholars of "Seinte Marie college of Wynchestre."—dated at the college, 12 Aug., 1392.

[1] The church of Harmondsworth in Middlesex, with the advowson of the vicarage, was purchased by the bishop in 1391 from the Benedictine monastery of the Holy Trinity on Mont St. Katherine, Rouen, and became part of the endowment of Winchester college, but ceased to belong to the college under an exchange with Henry VIII.

Prior and convent of St. Swithun's cited to a visitation at their chapter house on Monday next after the Decollation of St. John Baptist (29 August).—Esher, 29 July, 1392.

[256 a.] Abbot and convent of Chertsey cited to a visitation at their chapter house on Wednesday next after St. Matthew.—Same date.

Clergy of archdeaconry of Winchester cited to a visitation at the Cathedral on Saturday after St. Giles (1 September).—Same date.

[256 b.] Inhibition of archdeacon, pending visitation.—Waltham, 16 August.

Will of ds. John Ayllemer, r. of Buckland, Englished :—

Bequeaths to poor of his parish, 50*s.*; to his three kinsfolk, "quos ds. Walterus, frater meus, bene novit," 50*s.*; to the poor in Magdalen Hospital, Winchester, 20*s.*; to the poor in St. Thomas the Martyr's Hospital, Southwark, 20*s.*; to repair the chancel at Esher, 20*s.*; to repair the nave, 20*s.*; to the fabric of the bridge at Exeter, 30*s.*; to repair his own church at Buckland, ten marks: to repair the chancel and buildings thereof, £10; to Richard his man servant, 40*s.* and his red bed (rubeum lectum meum); to William his man servant 30*s.* and his blue bed (blodeum lectum meum cum toto apparatu); to —— Fox, his short green gown; to Robert Beneyt, of Waltham, his long gown of medley trimmed with fur; to Alice, wife of said Robert, a surcoat; to ds. John Rockingham, a pair of combs (unum par pectinum); to Peter Boteller, 6*s.* 8*d.*; to John of the butlery, 3*s.* 4*d.*; to Mundy of the kitchen, 20*d.*; to John Bryd, 6*s.* 8*d.*; to Bryd's wife, 3*s.* 4*d.*; to John Arnald, clk., 6*s.* 8*d.* Residue to be disposed of for the good of his soul by his executors, namely, his brother Walter, and John Rokyngham; William Falewelle, supervisor. Dated 27 August 1392, and proved at Marwell, 5 Sept., same year.

[257 a.] Commission directed to Nicholas Wykeham, archdeacon of Wilts, John Lydeford, the official, John Ellemere, Nicholas Stoket, r. of St. Magnus, London, and John Ware, r. of Elden, to visit deaneries of Winchester, Alresford, Southampton, and Somborn.—Winchester, 4 September.

M. John Ayllesbury and others commissioned to punish any delinquencies detected in above visitation.—Farnham, 24 Oct.

[257 b.] Prorogation of visitation till Monday the morrow of St. Edward the King.—*Ib.*, 11 October, 1392.

M. Thomas Cranlegh, r. of Havant, and John Possel, v. of East Meon, licensed confessors to William Mushard and Joan, wife of Bartholomew Sadelere of Petersfield.—*Ib.*, 20 October.

Dispensation *super defectu natalium* granted to Richard Syfferwast, a scholar of the diocese, on authority of cardinal Francis, tit. S. Susanne, papal penitancer.—Winchester, 30 Jan., 1392–3.

[258a.] Excommunication denounced against certain persons unknown who abducted Katharine Faucener, a nun of Wherwell. —Esher, 16 June, 1393.

[258 b.] Commission to inquire whether Middleton prebend be vacant, and if so to collate ds. John Boor, dean of the chapel royal, granted to Thomas Montagu, dean of Sarum, and Thomas Spert, one of the canons.—Winchester, 8 Feb., 1392–3.

Letter from the bishop to the archbishop, excusing himself from being present at convocation at St. Paul's on 24 February, "*quia nos corporali molestiâ et aliis propediti negociis . . . interesse personaliter non valemus*," and appointing mm. Thomas Stowe, John Ellemere, Nicholas Stoket, and John Swafham, or any one of them, to represent him there.—Marwell, 13 Feb.

[259a.] Mandate from James Dardani, archdeacon of Norfolk, a clerk of the apostolic chamber and nuncio, to the bishop, to sequestrate the vicarage of Hambledon, Hants, for non-payment of first fruits due in respect of a provision of William Welles to the benefice.—London, 14 Sept.

[259 b.] The same to the bishop, enjoining him to issue sequestration for arrears due to the apostolic chamber by the following persons:—Archdeacon of Winchester, Peter pence of the years 1389, 1390, 1391, 1392; Robert Fulmer, r. of Fawley, a certain sum; Agnes Heyghes, widow of John May of Alton, a certain sum; abbot of Quarr, prior of Mottisfont, abbess of

Romsey, abbess of St. Mary's, Winchester, procurations for 1392; abbots of Beaulieu, Tichfield, and Netley, vicars of Winchester cathedral, St. Denys, Southwick, and Carisbrooke, procurations for 1391 and 1392; prior of West Shirbourne, procurations since 1387; William Welles, vicar of Hambledon, or his lessee, for first fruits in respect of the provision of the vicarage; farmer of church of Widley, for first fruits in respect of the provision of the rectory for William Batysforde; priors of Selborne and Andover, procurations for 1391 and 1392.—London, 24 Feb., 1392–3.

[**260 a.**] Return dated Esher, 17 March, 1392–3.

[**259 a.**] License granted to Sir John de Southe, kt., to exhume the body of his deceased wife Margaret in Breamore churchyard, for reinterment within the priory.[1]—Winchester, 26 Jan.

Confessors' licenses granted to John Ellemere, r. of Maplederham, and Hugh Craft, r. of East Meon, for the deanery of Droxford.—Esher, 16 March.

[**260 a.**] Monition against ball-play, stone throwing, etc., in churchyard, Kingston-on-Thames.—Esher, 12 April, 1393.

Prior of Newark monished to repair chancel of Weybridge.—Esher, 25 April.

[**260 b.**] Undertaking by vicar of Reygate to keep a curate.

On the 18th day of May, 1393, Stephen Seiherd, the vicar, and Thomas Wymark, Walter Wregge, John Brutte, Robert Berde, William Smyth, Roger Chaunce, John Hammesherne, John Aubyn, sen., John Chaunce, Richard Atte Mere, John Bast, John Mulseye, John Aubyn, jun., and Henry Marwe, parishioners, appeared before the bishop at Esher, and the vicar stated "quod ipse de et super jure modoque et formâ inveniendi parochianis ecclesie predicte capellanum sedarium in eâdem ecclesiâ celebraturum, quem parochiani predicti aliàs judicialiter petebant ab eodem, a viris antiquioribus tam ipsius parochie de Reygate, quam aliarum parochiarum vicinarum eidem, diligenciùs inquisivit, ex quorum dictis et assercionibus, aliisque evidenciis, sibi constabat evidenter, ut dixit, se teneri

[1] See p. 336 *n.*

racione et nomine vicarie sue predicte ad invencionem capellani predicti in ecclesiâ de Reygate predictâ suis sumptibus continuè celebraturi. Igitur idem vicarius lites evitare ac pacem cum parochianis ecclesie predicte habere affectans, non vi coactus, nec metu aut dolo ad hoc inductus, ut dixit, sponte ac voluntariè promisit se velle exhibere capellanum huiusmodi sedarium in ecclesiâ de Reygate predictâ, divina officia sumptibus suis propriis celebraturum toto et omni tempore, quo vicarius fuerit ecclesie de Reygate supradicte." Confirmed by oath of vicar.

[261 a.] Denunciation of death bed donations by beneficed persons :—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis decano de Ewele et perpetuo vicario ecclesie parochialis de Ledrede, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Licet clerici beneficiati quicunque, qui mortis vicine conjecturam verisimilem obtinentes, bona sua universa, seu partem tam notabilem, donare inter vivos seu aliter alienare presumant, ut ecclesie, ad quarum cancellorum et librorum ac ornamentorum reparacionem, dum vivebant, fuerant obligati, suis remediis et accionibus excludantur, ac alii qui clericos languentes huiusmodi in extremis consiliis et suasionibus perversis avertunt a voluntate testandi, ex quibus impediri testamenti liberam faccionem et ecclesias huiusmodi suo jure non ambigitur maliciosè privari, maioris excommunicacionis sentenciam a sanctis patribus promulgatam noscantur incurrere ipso facto. Ac dantes huiusmodi et sua bona taliter alienantes, propter sui gravitatem excessûs, non obstante quâcunque a sentenciâ predictâ absolucione impensâ, ecclesiasticâ carere debeant sepulturâ :

Quidam tamen Henricus Waleys, nuper vicarius ecclesie parochialis de Ebesham,[1] nostre diocesis, languens in extremis, et mortis sue verisimilem conjecturam obtinens, consiliis et suasionibus cuiusdam Henrici Waleys, laici, patris sui, de Ledrede predictâ, nullum condens penitus testamentum, eidem Henrico suo patri donavit, qui ipsa bona asportavit, et ea occupat in presenti, predictam maioris excommunicacionis summam dampnabiliter incurrendo.

Vobis igitur comuniter et divisim committimus et mandamus in virtute obediencie firmiter injungentes, quatenus citetis, etc.

De diebus verò recepcionis, etc.—Southwark, 1 June.

[1] Now Epsom.

Excommunication denounced against certain who allege that Richard Pultone, of Southampton, committed adultery with Alice, wife of John Hayne of the same place.—Wolvesey, 7 July.

[261b.] Excommunication denounced against certain persons unknown who unlawfully cut and carry away growing timber on the lands of the priory of St. Cross.—Marwell, 24 July, 1393.

Ralph Basyng, a monk of Winchester cathedral,[1] licensed to confess the abbess and nuns of Wherwell.—*Ib.*, 1 Aug.

[262a.] Abbess and nuns admonished to accept Basynge; and revocation of confessor's license heretofore granted to f. Walter Chapellayn, of the order of Friars-Minors.—Same date.

Grant of similar license to John Aston, pr., and Nicholas Jolyf, pr.—*Ib.*, 6 Aug.

Will of Richard Danvers of Kingsclere, Englished:—

I bequeath my soul to God, and my body to be buried in the church of Kingsclere. I bequeath to the fabric of the cathedral church at Winchester, 6*s.* 8*d.*; to the fabric of the church of Kingsclere, 13*s.* 4*d.*; for a fit chaplain to say mass for my soul for three years, seven and a half marks each year; to William Sheppene, a trental; to ds. William Wylly, a trental; to my sister, Alice Danvers, fifty wethers, fifty ewes, four cows, a copper pot, a cart bound with iron, with two horses and harness, six pigs, five quarters of wheat, one quarter of wheat malt, one quarter of barley malt, a mazer hooped with silver, and a coverlet and rug (cöopertorium cum tapete); for my funeral expenses and distribution to the poor on the day of my burial, twenty marks; to each order of begging friars at Winchester, 6*s.* 8*d.*; to Thomas and Nicholas, clerks of the parish church, 2*s.*; to Stephen Parker of Freemantel,[2] twenty wethers and two heifers; to John Sutton, four quarters of wheat and two quarters of barley malt; to John, son of Nicholas Danvers, 26*s.* 8*d.*; to my godson Ingram, son of Robert Dyngele, 20*s.*; to Philip Bienham,[3] my godson, ten wethers, and to Alice his wife a

[1] Hordarian of the priory in 1381-2, d. 1405.—*The Obedientiary Rolls of St. Swithun's, Winchester*, p. 86.

[2] A down farm two miles south of Kingsclere.

[3] Beenham or Beenham Court is a place in the parish of Kingsclere, three miles north of the village, on the Newbury road.

quarter of barley malt; to Joan, wife of Ralph Colne, twenty lbs. of black wool; to Henry Squier, a gown (roba) and two heifers; to Thomas Oxenherde, a gown and two heifers; to Walter my serving man, a gown; to Thomas Pugge, a single gown with hood, and one heifer; to each of my four shepherds (barcarii), two wethers; to Joan Danvers my cousin, one calf and six wethers; to big Joan my serving maid, two ewes; to the other Joan, one ewe; to the son of John atte Gate, four quarters of wheat; to Sir William Melton, kt.,[1] lord of Kingsclere, one hundred wethers and one hundred ewes, upon condition that he befriend my executors, not interfering with them, nor delaying the execution of my will, nor disturbing them in their tenancy of the manors of Kingsclere and Bentworth during the term for which I hold them under written agreement with him; to my godson Richard, son of John Spicer, a quarter of wheat and a quarter of barley malt. Residue to executors, Alice Danvers his sister, Stephen Parker of Fremantel, and John Sutton, under supervision of John Laverans, v. of Kingsclere.

[262 b.] Dated 7 August, 1393, and proved 13th of same month at Marwell.

Commission granted by the bishop, as one of the conservators of the privileges of the order of friars-minors in England,[2] to John Wednesbury, warden of the friars-minors, Coventry, and John Westneys, a brother of the order, to absolve Thomas Parker, William Norton, and others, who lay under sentence of excommunication for breaking into the cloister at Coventry and offering divers injuries to the religious.—Southwark, 15 June, 1393.

[263 a.] Commission to prior of St. Bartholomew's, Smithfield, and m. Henry Wynterton, archd. of Essex, to punish divers injuries done to the friars-minors at Colchester.—Southwark, 7 July.

Commission of inquiry touching the union of the churches of Winslade and Kempshot, directed by the bishop to the official (Esher, 24 June, 1393) on the petition of John Ticheborne, the patron:—

[1] He died in 1398 seised of the manors of Bentworth and Kingsclere with pastures at Polelonde and Holtmede in Clere Wodelonde (Kingsclere Woodlands).

[2] *ante* p. 176.

Reverendo in Christo patri, etc., suus humilis et devotus Johannes Ticheborne, domicellus, pauperum et exilium ecclesiarum parochialium de Wynesolde et Kempesshete, vestre diocesis, patronus, omnimodas reverencias et honores debitos tanto patri. Quia ecclesie parochiales de Wynesolde et Kempesshete predicte adeo sunt tenues et exiles, quod neutra earum per se sufficiat aut sufficere poterit ad sustentacionem unius curati seu rectoris eiusdem, oneraque sibi et dicte ecclesie incumbencia supportanda; ymo vix modernis temporibus dicte due ecclesie, eciam si essent unite, sufficerent uni curato pro eius sustentacione congruâ, et oneribus eidem incumbentibus debitè supportandis. Vestram igitur paternitatem reverendam humiliter deprecor et exoro, quatenus predictas duas ecclesias unire, annectere, et incorporare dignemini, ac cetera peragere, que vestro in hâc parte incumbunt officio pastorali, graciosè.

Ad quam quidem unionem faciendam meum tenore presencium expresse prebeo consensum; ita videlicet, quod ecclesia parochialis de Kempesshete predicte, que totaliter est diruta et prostrata, ac omni caret edificio et parochianis quibuscunque, nomen et jura parochialis ecclesie amittente, ecclesia parochialis predicta de Wynesolde, que in structurâ et cooperturâ eiusdem pro utriusque ecclesie parochianis unâ cum manso rectoris eiusdem satis competens et honesta esse dinoscitur, manuteneatur et sustentetur in futurum, ac utriusque ecclesie predicte jura parochialia insolidum teneat, necnon et post unionem huiusmodi in futurum, per unum duntaxat qui pro tempore fuerit, regatur rectore, qui curam parochie utriusque ecclesie predicte habeat atque gerat, ac per me patronum predictum, heredes et assignatos meos, vobis et successoribus vestris episcopis Wyntoniensibus, quociens ipsam ecclesiam de Wynesolde, postquam unio predicta facta fuerit, vacare contigerit, debeat presentari, ac rector per vos et ipsos successsores vestros institui canonicé in eâdem.—Tichborne, 26 March, 1393.

The official held the inquiry with the rectors of Wolverton, Dean, Ash, Hartley Wespall, Ellisfield, Farley, Newnham, Cliddesden, and Eastrop, the vicars of Basing, Shirbourne St. John, and Herriard, and Nicholas Wyneslode, William Wateryngge, and William Austyn, parishioners of Winslade, as assessors, and returned:—

That the annual value of Winslade is six marks, and of Kempshot is one mark.

That the patron of both churches is John Tichborne by right of descent. The last presentation to Winslade was by sir Thomas Wortyng, kt., during the minority of Tichborne (vol. i, p. 137). The distance between the two churches is one mile and a half. There are three parishioners residing at Winslade and none at Kempshot. There is no river between the two parishes. The archdeacon receives a procuration of 4*s.* from Winslade, and nothing from Kempshot. The title to neither church is in question, nor is either church endowed with a pension or portion of tithes arising in another parish.

[264 a.] Union of the churches decreed.—Marwell, 26 Aug., 1393.

[269 b.] Archdeacon's official directed to admonish the following beneficed men to pay arrears of the last tenth to the collector forthwith:—R. of Heckfield, 12*s.*; v. of Heckfield, 4*s.* 4*d.*; v. of Odiham, 8*s.*; v. of Bramley, 5*s.*—Wolvesey, 1 Sept., 1393.

Commission directed to official to take steps for the purgation of Thomas Kendale, who had been indicted on the charge of entering, on the Wednesday before St. Barnabas, 3 Ric. II, the house of John Whytewebbe, at Winchester, and stabbing him in the belly with a baselard,[1] value 8*d.*, whereof he died; and claiming privilege, was committed to the custody of the bishop.

[266 a.] Return, that usual proclamations were made and no opposers came.—Winchester, 15 April.

[266 b.] Similar commissions in cases of John Bray, charged with having at Blackwater, in the evening of the Sunday before St. Gregory (12 March), broken and entered the dwelling house of Juliana Bray, and stolen a horse, value 26*s.* 8*d.*, and a mazer and other articles, value 24*s.* 4*d.*:

John Maistersone, for having, on the Tuesday before St. Dunstan (19 May), 52 Ed. III, on the highway leading from Fulflood to Ashley, stolen from Robert Waryn a horse value 20*s.*, a gelding (collobus) value 10*s.*, and 10*s.* cash:

[1] Ensis brevis species, genus pugionis vel sicæ.—*Du Cange.*

Walter Mason, for having, on Thursday before St. Luke, 15 Ric. II, stolen, in the common meadow of Thorney, two oxen and one cow, value 20*s.*:

Nicholas Spurs, for having, on Monday before the Conception (8 Dec.), 2 Ric. II, stolen from "Couricoslyllyng," in Lombard Street, a silver cup with a cover, value four marks, and another cover of gold, value twenty marks:

Thomas Taylour, for having, on Palm Sunday, 49 Ed. III, robbed James Richard of two dishes and a coverlet, value 2*s.*

[**267 a.**] Commission to prior of St. Swithun's, abbot of Hyde, the official, Simon, provost of St. Elizabeth's college (vol. i, p. 162), and Thomas Ayllesbury, r. of Easton, to deal with above cases.—Marwell, 12 Sept., 1393.

Monition of subtractors of tithes, oblations, and other ecclesiastical dues owing to m. John Ellemere, r. of Byrytone (Buriton), with the chapel of Petrysfelde (Petersfield) annexed.—*Ib.*, 26 Sept.

Commission to inquire who is liable to repair a rain water gutter on the chancel of Wymering.—Same date.

Rector of Brighstone (William Boteller, vol. i, p. 103) empowered to monish the parishioners to pay the sums of money subscribed by them in yearly instalments for the repairs of the church.—*Ib.*, 6 Oct.

License of non-residence for one year granted to r. of Alfold (Thomas Inde, vol. i, pp. 115, 127), with liberty to let the benefice in the meantime; at the request of the earl of Ormond.—1 January, 1393–4.

[**268 a.**] Appointment of John Ellemere, doctor of laws, "dilectus clericus noster," to be judge of consistory court (see form, p. 265).—Southwark, 16 Nov.

Presentation of Walter Mabely, r. of St. Thomas, New Sarum, to Ivinghoe, on exchange with George Louthorpe (vol. i, p. 155).—Esher, 1 Dec.

Circular denouncing excommunication against certain persons unknown, who slew ds. Richard Reygate, pr., in the deanery of Basingstoke.—Farnham, 24 Dec.

Dispensation from the obligation of residence granted to m. Robert Ketene, r. of St. Michael's, Southampton (vol. i, p. 187), for three years, to study.—Southwark, 16 Nov., 1393.

[**268 b.**] Charter of foundation of St. Mary Magdalen's chapel, Kingston-on-Thames :—

Universis Sancte matris ecclesie filiis, ad quos presentes litere pervenerint, Johannes Lovekyn, civis Londoniensis, s. in Domino sempiternam. Noverit universitas vestra, quod cum Edwardus Lovekyn et Robertus Lovekyn de licenciâ domini Edwardi, regis Anglie illustris, in puram et perpetuam elemosinam ad sustentacionem unius capellani in capellâ in honorem beate Marie Magdalene in parochiali ecclesia de Kyngeston juxta Norbeltone,[1] Wynton. dioc., per predictum Edwardum auctoritate et consensu bone memorie domini Henrici,[2] tunc Wynton. episcopi, constructâ singulis diebus pro animabus predictorum Edwardi Lovekyn, Roberti Lovekyn, Matilde, matris dicti Roberti, Isabelle, uxoris eiusdem Edwardi, necnon filiorum, filiarum, fratrum, et sororum eiusdem Roberti, et omnium parentum, heredum, et successorum Roberti memorati, et omnium fidelium defunctorum perpetuò celebraturi, x acras terre et unam acram prati, et quinque marcatas annui redditûs cum suis pertinenciis in Kyngeston concessissent ; et ego Johannes dictam capellam et mansum eidem contiguum de novo construens et edificans, ac summis affectans desideriis, et indefessas sollicitudines adhibens, ut in dictâ capellâ cultus divinus ad Dei laudem et honorem augeatur, et tam vivorum quam mortuorum animarum saluti succurratur, atque Dei ministri sibi jugiter servientes mutuò et meritò augeantur, ac ipsorum necessitatibus provideatur, ut temporalibus non destituantur auxiliis, set spiritualibus proficiant incrementis, huiusmodi capellano unum alium capellanum in dictâ capellâ perpetuò Domino serviturum, de consensu venerabilis patris domini Willelmi, Dei graciâ episcopi,[3] et capituli Wyntoniensis, ac eciam religiosorum vivorum prioris et conventûs de Mertone ecclesiam de Kyngeston predictam in proprios usus obtinencium, necnon Nicholai, perpetui vicarii eiusdem ecclesie de Kyngeston, sub modo et formâ infrascriptis superaddo, et ordinaciones facio subscriptas.

Ac prefate capelle et capellanis eiusdem de licenciâ domini

[1] Norbiton. [2] Henry Wodeloke (1304–16). [3] William Edyndone, 1345–66.

Edwardi, regis Anglie illustris, dedi, concessi, et cartâ meâ confirmavi novem messuagia, decem shopas, unum molendinum, centum et viginti acras pasture et triginti quinque solidatas annui redditûs cum pertinenciis in dictâ villâ de Kyngeston annui valoris novem marcarum, necnon duo messuagia cum pertinenciis in parochiâ S. Michaelis de la Crokedlane, London., annui valoris quatuor librarum, cum omnibus suis juribus et pertinenciis universis, prout eciam in aliis cartis meis custodi et capellanis capelle predicte inde confectis pleniûs continetur; habendum et tenendum et percipiendum totam terram, pratum, pasturas, messuagia, shopas, et molendinum predicta eisdem capellanis et successoribus suis capellanis divina singulis diebus in capellâ predictâ, ut infra sequitur, celebraturis pro salubri statu meo, dum vixero, et pro animabus predictorum et infrascriptorum imperpetuum, sicut subinfertur, liberè, quietè, bene et in pace imperpetuum, ab omnibus serviciis secularibus et demandis.

Et volo, ac quatenus in me est, ordino et statuo, quod capellani predicti sint perpetui, quorum unus erit custos perpetuus capelle predicte, qui alteri capellano et aliis capellanis in futurum, cum dicte capelle facultates excreverint,[1] ibidem preficiendis et recipiendis, preesse debet, et "custos" eiusdem capelle nominari.

Et quod custos in custodiam predictam et capellani predicti in capellanias in capellâ predictâ per venerabilem patrem Wynton. episcopum loci diocesanum, qui pro tempore fuerit, ad presentationem meam, me vivente, ad huiusmodi custodiam et capellanias admittantur et instituantur in eisdem. Post obitum verò meum, quociens contigerit dictam custodiam vel aliquam de capellaniis predictis vacare, volo et ordino quod dictus episcopus Wynton., qui pro tempore fuerit, infra duos menses a tempore vacacionis huiusmodi publicè note continuè numerandos custodem et capellanos ydoneos, prout custodia et capellanie huiusmodi vacaverint, proficiat et instituat, inducique faciat in corporalem possessionem eorundem. Et si idem episcopus hoc non fecerit, volo quod statim post lapsum dictorum duorum mensium jus providendi eidem capelle de custode et capellanis huiusmodi eo ipso plenè ad capitulum Wynton. illâ vice devolvatur; qui capitulum infra alios duos menses immediatè sequentes

[1] Shall exceed their present amount. So in the early Computus Rolls of Winchester College, "excrescentia comunarum" is the term used to denote the difference between the sum allowed for commons and the actual cost.

predictos custodem et capellanos preficiant et instituant, ipsosque induci faciant in corporalem possessionem eorundem. Vacantibus verò custodiâ seu capellaniis predictis tempore vacacionis episcopatûs Wynton. semper provideat capitulum Wynton. modo quo superiûs est expressum. Si verô in aliquo casuum premissorum infra duos menses eis indultos custos seu capellani predicti non preficiantur per eos, tunc ad archiepiscopum Cantuariensem eo ipso et eâ vice plenè huiusmodi pensio devolvatur.

Volo eciam, quod prefati custos et capellani statim post institucionem suam seu huiusmodi admissionem juramentum prestent corporale, quod quamdiu ipsas custodiam seu capellanias tenuerint apud dictam capellam residenciam continuè faciant personalem, et in dictâ capellâ personaliter ministrabunt, nisi ex causâ rationabili dictam capellam contingente oporteat ipsos, seu eorum aliquem, aliquando forsitan absentare, ita quod nulli officio seu obsequio alteri cuicumque quomodolibet se astringant ; quodque presentem nostram ordinacionem in omnibus observabunt. Alioquin institucio seu de ipsis facta provisio vel admissio huiusmodi non prestito juramento non teneatur ipso jure.

Item volo, quod custos dicte capelle habeat capellanum quemcunque ipsius capelle, qui pro tempore fuerit, preficiendum, ut est dictum, in domibus et manso dicte capelle secum continuè commorantem, de bonis dicte capelle per dictum custodem in esculentis et potulentis competenter et honestè sustentandum. Et nichilominus singulis annis solvet cuilibet de capellanis predictis quadraginta solidos argenti pro aliis necessariis eorundem ad duos anni terminos per equales porciones, videlicet in festis Purificacionis Beate Marie virginis, et Natalis S. Joh. Baptiste de rerum proventibus predictorum, et unam eciam robam ad festum Natalis Domini eiusdem secte, quâ custos ipse vestietur. Residuum verò sub debito juramenti prestiti deductis expensis suis necessariis et familie sue, quam habeat necessariam et non onerosam juxta discrecionem a Deo sibi datam, in utilitatem dicte capelle, et non in alios usus, dispenset fideliter et convertat, nec unquam testetur aliqualiter de eisdem. Nullus insuper alius administrator bonorum capelle predicte de bonis eiusdem capelle testari valeat quovismodo.

Et custos faciet singulis annis inventarium fidele de singulis bonis dicte capelle,[1] super quo inventario fiet indentura, cuius una pars penes custodem remaneat, et alia penes unum de capellanis capelle predicte seniorem, quam singulis annis michi, dum vixero, et post meum decessum loci diocesano, semel ad minus exhibeat et ostendat, ita quod apparere valeat de statu bonorum capelle memorate ac facultatibus eiusdem.

Custos eciam et capellani omnes predicti mansum pro eis ordinatum simul inhabitabunt, et idem custos in unâ pro se, et ceteri capellani eiusdem in aliâ pro ipsis ordinatis cameris pernoctabunt, omnesque in eâdem domo infra dictum mansum juxta ordinacionem dicti custodis singulis diebus simul concedant, nisi ipsorum aliquis ex causâ racionabili fuerit impeditus.

Inveniet eciam idem custos clericum competentem ad ministrandum dictis capellanis in missis, et ad deserviendum ipsis in cameris eorundem; et eciam inveniet dictis capellanis suppellicia honesta et amicias nigris furruris furratas, quibus uti debent in capellâ predictâ dum divinis in eâdem insistunt; necnon libros, calices, et ornamenta dicte capelle necessaria ad eandem.

Item vacante custodiâ capelle predicte per mortem custodis, vel alio modo, custodia et administratio bonorum capelle predicte, huiusmodi vacacione durante, ad illum capellanum, qui diuciûs celebraverit in eâ, integraliter pertinebunt. Ipse tamen sic premissa custodiens futuro custodi infra mensem post prefeccionem seu admissionem novi custodis de receptis et expensis per eundem tempore dicte vacacionis factis compotum seu raciocinium fidele plenè reddet, juramento corporali huiusmodi prestito ab eodem de fideli compoto reddendo de receptis et expensis huiusmodi per eundem.

Item volo et ordino, quod tam custos quam alii capellani dicte capelle singulis diebus post prandium ante vesperas simul in dictâ capellâ dicant officium mortuorum, videlicet "Placebo" et "Dirige" cum novem psalmis et novem lectionibus, exceptis festis dupplicibus, et tempore Pasche, quo tempore Pasche dicant dictum officium cum tribus psalmis et tribus lectionibus, secundum usum ecclesie Sarum. Et cum commemoracionem singulis diebus sic dixerint, post vesperas et completorium simul dicant commendacionem mortuorum.

[1] See p. 28.

Item volo, quod iidem custos et capellani in omnibus festis simplicibus trium leccionum[1] et profestis diebus septem psalmos penitenciales et quindecim psalmos graduales[2] cum letaniâ et oracionibus consuetis in choro dicte capelle humiliter et devotè dici teneantur. Et in singulis diebus matutinas et alias Horas dicant, secundum usum ecclesie Sarum antedicte in choro capelle memorate; celebrabunt eciam omnes dicti capellani singulis diebus missas suas in capellâ prefatâ, legitimo impedimento cessante. Ita quod unus eorum singulis diebus lune unam missam pro animabus suprascriptis et infrascriptis, cum ab hâc luce subtracti fuerint, celebret, cum officio defunctorum. Singulis diebus Martis celebretur missa "Salus Populi," pro excellentissimi principis, domini Edwardi, Dei graciâ regis Anglie, Philippe regina Anglie, consortis sue, liberorumque suorum, ac reverendi patris domini Willelmi, Dei graciâ Wynton. episcopi, meique ac Sibille, uxoris mee, statu salubri, dum viximus. Post obitum verò nostrum celebretur missa de S. Thomâ, quondam Cantuariensis episcopi. Diebus Mercurii, de Sanctâ Mariâ Magdalene: diebus Jovis, de Sancto Spiritu: diebus Veneris, de Sanctâ Cruce: diebus Sabbati, de gloriosâ Virgine Mariâ, matre Domini nostri Ihu Christi: diebus dominicis et aliis festivis de die missa celebretur. Unus verò capellanus singulis diebus missam cum officio de "Requiem eternam" pro animabus predictis ac eciam Matilde matris mee, meique Johannis Lovekyn, et Mabille, matris uxoris mee predicte, cum ab hâc luce migraverimus, et omnium benefactorum meorum ac omnium fidelium defunctorum celebrabit. Et omnes predicte misse celebrabuntur cum collectis pro vivis et mortuis supradictis convenientibus, preterquam in altâ missâ in festis dupplicibus inibi celebranda.

Item volo, quod singuli capellani predicti in singulis missis suis in Memento pro vivis specialiter habebunt in memoriâ [270 a.] personas suprascriptas dum vixerint; quodque in eodem Memento rogent specialiter pro pace ecclesie et regni, et pro benefactoribus dicte capelle quibuscunque. In Memento eciam mortuorum memoriam habeant predictorum nunc defunctorum, et eciam vivorum superiùs nominatorum, cum subtracti fuerint

[1] A simple Office has only three lessons at Matins.

[2] The fifteen psalms (*Ps.* cxx—cxxxv) were called "graduales," as having been sung on the fifteen steps of Solomon's Temple.—*Du Cange.*

ab hâc luce. Hiisque sic finitis, dicat idem sacerdos, *Anime Johannis, Edwardi, et Roberti Lovekyn, fundatorum nostrorum, et dicti domini Willelmi, Wynton. episcopi, omniumque fidelium defunctorum per Dei misericordiam in pace requiescant*, et idem faciant singulis diebus in mensâ post gracias Deo redditas ad prandium eorundem.

Item volo et ordino, quod nec custos nec quivis alius, eciam si de comuni voluntate processerit et consensu, ex nunc corrodium aliquod[1] sive liberacionem seu possessionem aliquam dicte capelle alicui vendat, aut donet, seu aliàs concedat, calicem vel librum, vestimenta seu ornamenta, aut quicquam aliud de terris, possessionibus, seu redditibus dicte capelle quomodolibet distrahat, accommodet, impignoret, seu aliàs obliget, aut eciam ad firmam vel aliàs alicui dimittat, quocunqueve alienacionis fenere alienet, absque domini episcopi Wynton. qui pro tempore fuerit licenciâ speciali. Qui autem contrarium fecerit, si custos fuerit, a custodiâ, si vero alius capellanus fuerit, a capellaniâ suâ huiusmodi prorsus ammoveatur. Et nichilominus ipsas vendicionem et donacionem et concessionem, distrinccionem, impignoracionem, obligacionem, dimissionem, et alienacionem quascunque haberi volo penitus pro non factis, irritis, vacuis, et cassis omnino, nec ipse aliquod commune sigillum habebunt.

Item volo et ordino, quod nullus predictorum sacerdotum capelle predicte, custode duntaxat excepto, aliquem hospitem ad expensas bonorum dicte capelle in manso eiusdem introducat;[2] et siquis contrarium fecerit introducens, pro prandio sui hospitis tres denarios sterlingorum, et pro aliâ quâlibet refeccione, duos denarios, custodi seu deputando per eum solvere teneatur; quam pecuniam de stipendiis taliter hospitem introducentis deduci volo et eciam retineri, ac in utilitates communes expendi.

Item, cum a crapulâ et ebrietate omnes, et precipuè Dei ministros deceat abstinere, cum ebrietas tam mentis inducat exilium quam libidinis provocet incentum, ordino quod custos et capellani predicti, et successores eorum, tabernas vitent omnino. Et, ut occasiones ipsas frequentandi non habeant,

[1] See p. 376, *n.*

[2] The corresponding provision in the statutes of Winchester College is (Rubric XVI) ut nullus extraneus, cuiuscunque statûs, gradûs, aut condicionis existat, infra dictum collegium hospitetur nec eciam pernoctet aliqualiter in eodem, nisi cum collegio pro negociis vel consiliis eiusdem specialiter sit retentus, vel cum absque incomodo seu scandalo collegii honestè non poterit evitari; talisque per custodem vel de ipsius mandato ad pernoctandum ibidem tantummodo invitetur.

prohibeo districtè, ne ad domos aliquas accedant sine custodis, si presens fuerit, vel eo absente, locum sui tenentis petitâ licenciâ et obtentâ.

Item custos et dicti capellani, qui erunt pro tempore, omnia messuagia, molendinum, et shopas memorata sufficienter et competenter sustentabunt, reparabunt, emendabunt, reficient, et quociens opus fuerit, de novo construent, de proventibus supradictis cunctis temporibus in futurum.

Item custos, et quilibet de capellanis supradictis, quociens aliud beneficium ecclesiasticum pacificè fuerit assecutus, huiusmodi custodiam sive capellaniam, et locum, quos obtinent in capellâ supradictâ, absque difficultate dimittent effectualiter re et verbo.

Item volo et ordino, quod siquis de dictis capellanis invenietur culpabilis et incorrigibilis circa aliquod premissorum, quod extunc per dictum episcopum Wynton., qui erit pro tempore, a dictâ cantariâ ammoveatur totaliter cum effectu.

Et ego verò predictus Johannes Lovekyn et heredes mei predicta novem messuagia, decem shopas, unum molendinum, centum et viginti quinque acras terre, decem acras prati, centum et viginti acras pasture, et triginta quinque solidatas annui redditûs cum pertinenciis in villâ de Kyngeston, necnon duo messuagia cum pertinenciis in parochiâ S. Michaelis de la Crokedlane London., prefatis capelle, custodi, et capellanis et successoribus suis, custodibus et capellanis in dictâ capellâ divina, ut premittitur, celebrantibus, contra omnes gentes pro premissis omnibus superiùs contentis, ut premittitur, fideliter observando et effectualiter faciendo warantizabimus imperpetuum et defendemus.[1] In quorum omnium testimonium, etc.—Dated 3 May, 1355.

[270 a.] Copy of confirmation by bishop Edyndone, dated Southwark, 1 June, 1355, with a stipulation, for the indemnity of the parish church, that mass shall not be said in the chapel in the presence of any person not residing in the manse of the chapel (except John Lovekyn himself) on any double festival, lest parishioners should attend mass there on those days and not at the parish church.[2]

[1] Observe the qualified warranty of title: so long only as the warden and chaplains keep the statutes.

[2] See p. 388.

[**270 b.**] License of absence granted to r. of Ockley (John Buctone, vol. i, p. 156), at instance of m. Thomas Cranlegh, to keep next term at the University.—Southwark, 6 Feb., 1393–4.

[**271 a.**] Resignation of John Westcote, warden of Winchester college, attested by John Bescoselek, notary of the diocese of Exeter, 8 Jan., 1393–4.

Grant (collacio) of the wardenship to m. John Morys, M. A. (see form, p. 415).—Southwark, 8 Feb.

[**271 b.**] Monition for Melton the schoolmaster (magistro informatori scolarum grammaticalium collegii nostri predicti) and fellows, scholars, and other persons thereof, to obey the warden (see form, p. 415).—Same date.

Commission to Simon, provost of St. Elizabeth's College, and John Arnold, clerk, to induct Morys,—quatenus eundem m. Johannem, vel procuratorem suum pro eo et eius nomine, in corporalem possessionem dicti collegii, ac jurium et pertinencium eiusdem, inducatis inducive faciatis, et per censuras ecclesiasticas defendatis inductum.—Same date.

Oath taken by warden Morys :—

Memorandum, quod ix° die mensis Marcii, a. d. millesimo CCC^mo^ nonogesimo tercio, in capellâ manerii de Merewell, prefatus m. Johanne Morys juravit, tactis sacrosanctis Dei evangeliis, coram domino, prout in statutis collegii prope Wynton. pleniùs continetur in juramento custodis, quod omnia et singula statuta et ordinaciones dictum collegium concernencia bene et fideliter observabit. Presentibus tunc ibidem mm. Johanne Campeden, Johanne Ware, Johanne Swafham, Johanne Melton, necnon dss. Johanne Lutone, Johanne Sturmynstre, Thomas Botle, Ricardo Framlyngham, Roberto Monkeston, pr., ac Johanne Elcombe et Johanne Arnold, clericis.

[**272 a.**] Mandate directed to the official to take measures for the purgation of John Chapman, who was indicted on the charge of stealing, in the Soke of Winchester, on Easter Day, 13 Ric. II, a mazer, value 6*s.* 8*d.*, the property of John Boshampton, *alias* Webbe, and pleading privilege, was committed to the

custody of the bishop. Official returns that he caused proclamations to be made in the churches of St. John in the Soke, St. Maurice, and St. Laurence, but no one appeared to oppose.—Winchester, 8 April, 1394.

[272 b.] Similar return in cases of Peter Gyseborne, on charge of stealing from dwelling house of Nicholas, chaplain of Fulham; William Ledes, on charge of stealing from an inn yard at Shetereshelde, in the parish of Eltham, a "horegrey" horse, a saddle, a valise, a cope, a slop[1] of green satin furred with squirrel (unum sloppe de satyn viridi furratum cum calabri), and £3, the property of Alphonso Fernandi, a friar; John Mertok, on charge of stealing from the house of John Bach of Seint Nicholas Fleshameles (St. Nicholas ad macellas), in the parish of St. Martin apud Colemanhegge, Westminster, a horse value 40*s.*, and other chattels value 40*s.*; and John Shirewynde, *literatus*, on charge of stealing at Rotherwick a horse value 20*s.*, the property of Thomas Woghele.—Guildford, 6 April, 1394.

[273 a.] John Batour, r. of Avington, empowered to enforce payment of arrears of pensions, eight years at Kingsclere, nineteen years at Hursley, four years at Romsey, and two years at Newton Valence.—Farnham, 23 Dec., 1393.

[273 b.] Citation of non-resident clergy.—*Ib.*, 31 Dec.

Monition for preachers of erroneous doctrines in deanery of Alresford:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto in Christo filio, officiali archidiaconi nostri Wyntoniensis, s. g. et b. Ecclesiarum prelati circa gregis dominici sibi commissi custodiam eò vigilanciùs intendere debent, quò lupos intrinsecus ovium vestimentis indutos ad rapiendum et dispergendum oves noverint fraudulenciùs circuire. Sanè famâ publicâ referente, necnon ex fidedignorum relacione frequenti, ad nostram pervenit auditum, quod quidam eterne dampnacionis filii, in infamiam mentis perducti, sub magne sanctitatis velamine, virtutem eius abnegantes, et a communi hominem conversacione, vitâ, et moribus dissidentes, nonnullas opiniones falsas et erroneas, determinacionibus sacrosancte Romane ecclesie repugnantes, in ecclesiis et locis aliis decanatûs

[1] "What said Master Dumbledon about the satin for my short cloak and slops?"—*Shakespeare*, II Hen. IV, i, 2.

de Alresforde, nostre diocesis, non verentur asserere, et eciam dogmatizare, ac in eorum sermonibus nephandissimis talia proponere et predicare, que a decimarum et oblacionum, ac aliarum eorum ecclesiis debitarum solucione retrahunt audientes; sicque nonnullos Christi fideles, eorum predicacione iniquâ et doctrinâ perversâ temere inficientes, faciunt dampnabiliter deviare.

Cum enim secundum canonicas sancciones nemo prohibitus vel non admissus, absque sedis apostolice vel episcopi loci diocesani auctoritate, sibi predicacionis officium usurpare debeat, publicè vel occultè, vobis committimus et mandamus, in virtute obediencie firmiter injungentes, quatenus, etc. Inhibition of such as preach the withholding of tithe and oblations.—Esher, 7 June, 1394.

Similar monition for deanery of Basingstoke.

Return to summons to convocation at St. Paul's,[1] for granting a subsidy.—Wolvesey, 22 April.

[275 a.] Citation of Richard Wylkyn and John Brokere of Streatham, who arrested John Brabourne in sanctuary in the porch of the parish church and led him away to Guildford gaol. —Esher, 22 June.

[275 b.] Mandate to deans of Southwark and Ewell and rectors of Streatham and St. George's, Mitcham, to enforce penance on Wylkyn and Brokere, and on Peter, servant of John Grene of Streatham, after bringing back Brabourne to the place where they arrested him. On three consecutive Sundays they are to walk in the procession, stripped to their shirts and drawers and carrying lighted tapers ; Wylkyn the principal a taper of one pound weight, and the others tapers of smaller size, one of the parties charged with imposing the penance clad in a surplice flagellating them with a rod, and declaring to the people the cause of the penance ; after which the penitents are to kneel in the middle of the church at high mass and repeat the Magnificat in audible voices, and pray forgiveness. This penance to be performed at Streatham, at St. George's,

[1] It was summoned to meet 14th May.

Mitcham, and at Mitcham parish church, on successive Sundays. —*Ib.*, 18 June, 1394.

[**276 a.**] Letter to the king for Brabourne's discharge from gaol (see form, p. 249).—*Ib.*, 22 June.

Letter to archdeacon of Surrey, dated at Esher, 22 June, reciting privy seal dated 13 June, ordering prayers for the soul of Queen Anne of Bohemia :—

Reverent piere en Dieu ; come notre tresamee compaigne la Roigne soit a Dieu commandie, vous prions tres affectueusement q vous luy veullez avoir especialment pur recommender a voz devoutes prieres, et faire et celebrer ses exequies solempnement sicome assiert a votre estat. Et outre ceo veullez doner en mandement a toutz voz soubgitz de seinte esglise, quils facent semblablement en temps convenable sibien pur profit de lalme de notre dite compaigne, come pur lamour de nous et de tout notre Roiaume. Et ce ne veullez lesser, come nous nous fions de vous. Don souz notre prive seal a Westm. le xiij iour de Juyn.

[**276 b.**] Administration of estate of John Redhed, late of the Soke of Winchester, granted to Alice his widow and John Batour, r. of Avington.—Southwark, 26 May.

[**277 a.**] License of non-residence for two years granted to Thomas Forde, r. of Alfold (vol. i, p. 127), in order to be in attendance on bp. of Meath.—*Ib.*, 24 June.

Commission directed to v. of Boldre to absolve John Flecchere, who had laid violent hands on the curate of Lymington.—*Ib.*, 20 May.

Mandate to dean of Forde and vicar of Boldre to see that Flecchere did penance. The penance imposed was fustigation round the churchyard of Lymington on the Sunday next after St. John Baptist's day and round the market place of Lymington on the following Saturday ; the penitent carrying a lighted candle of one pound weight the while.—Esher, 16 June.

[**277 b.**] Commission to m. John Ellemere, the official, to visit Barton oratory, which adeo recto regimine destitutus existit, quod, gubernaculo observancie reglaris ibidem contempto, bona

mobilia et immobilia prioratûs eiusdem miserabiliter dissipantur, idemque prioratus in suis domibus tam infra septa prioratûs quam exteriùs, in suis maneriis patitur deformitatem non modicam, ac gravibus oneribus subicitur debitorum.—*Ib.*, 27 July, 1374.

Mandate to dean of Guildford and rectors of St. Mary and Holy Trinity, Guildford, to claim clerks incarcerate in Guildford gaol.—*Ib.*, 20 July.

Mandate to official for prayers to be said for the king on his going to Ireland [1]:—

Cum nobilissimus princeps et dominus noster, dominus Ricardus, Dei graciâ., etc., pro conservacione, tuicione, et defensione juris sui regii ad partes Hibernie cum suis proceribus et gentibus direxerit gressus suos, idemque dominus noster rex nobis propterea, sicut ceteris regni sui prelatis, injunxerit unâ voce, ut apud Altissimum, exercituum Dominum, cuius imperio principes dominantur, ipsum dominum nostrum regem, proceresque et gentes suas secum, ut premittitur, transeuntes, devotis oracionum suffragiis specialiter comendemus, ad quod eciam ex caritatis vinclo sumus astricti:

Vobis igitur, etc. Prayers directed in common form, with forty days' indulgence.—Farnham, 20 Aug.

[278 a.] Presentation by warden and scholars of Winchester college of Robert Belnays, pr., to the vicarage of Heston,[2] void by the death of William Cristendoune.—11 Aug.

License granted to William, lord de Roos, and Margaret, daughter of Eleanor, wife of sir Reginald de Cobham, to marry at the castle of Cherbourg.[3]—Esher, 9 Oct.

[278 b.] Admission of five fellows of Winchester college, namely, Henry Beche, John Self, Thomas Knyth, Robert Lemanesworthe, and John More, in following form:—

[1] Early in September, 1394, Richard II crossed to Ireland, and took hostages; remaining there till Easter, 1395.—*Walsingham*, ii, p. 215.

[2] The church of Heston in Middlesex, together with the advowson of the vicarage, was acquired by the bishop in 1391 by purchase from the monastery of St. Valery-sur-mer in Picardy, and became part of the endowment of Winchester College.

[3] Castrum de Sceresburgh, nostre diocesis. It had been placed in the keeping of the English in 1378 (*Walsingham*, i, 271), and although they made it over to the king of Navarre in 1393 (*ib.*, ii, 214) it seems to have continued under the ecclesiastical jurisdiction of the see of Winchester.

Willelmus permissione divinâ Wynton. episcopus, fundator collegii beate Marie prope Wynton., *Seinte Marie college of Wynchestre* vulgariter nuncupati, dilecto in Christo filio domino Roberto Lemanesworthe, pr., s. g. et b. Cum inter alia nostra ordinaciones et statuta nostri collegii supradicti statuerimus et eciam ordinaverimus, ut in ipso collegio sint semper et continuè decem presbyteri socii, perpetui capellani dicti nostri collegii, deservientes cotidie in divinis, sub certâ formâ in nostris ordinacionibus et statutis predictis contentâ imposterùm eligendi, ac preterea cupientes de presbyteris huiusmodi personis ydoneis nos per nostre provisionis industriam hâc vice primariâ providere, dominum Robertum presbyterum supradictum, qui apud nos de lecturâ, literaturâ, et cantu, ac vite ac morum honestate, aliisque probitatis et virtutum comendariis[1] dicti nostri collegii presbyterum socium perpetuum preficimus per presentes et instituimus canonicè in eodem; jure eligendi presbyteros alios socios perpetuos loco presbyterorum decedencium in nostro collegio predicto, seu aliàs recedencium ab eodem, custodi et sociis eiusdem collegii per jura, ordinaciones, et statuta predicta attributo, cui per presentes nostras prefeccionem et institucionem primarias nolumus in aliquo derogare, in omnibus semper salvo.—Farnham, 20 Dec., 1394.

License granted to John, v. of Malden (vol. i, p. 22), at instance of bp. of Sarum, to let the vicarage to ds. William Suet, pr., on condition of continuing in residence and officiating. —*Ib.*, 17 Dec.

[279 a.] Mandate for citation of rectors of Leatherhead, Witley, and Dorking, for pensions in arrear.—*Ib.*, 2 Jan., 1394–5.

Notice of bishop's intention to visit the priory of St. Mary Overy, Southwark, on Wednesday next after the Conversion of St. Paul.—*Ib.*, 7 Jan.

[279 b.] Letter of license for collectors of alms for lights and fabric of Winchester cathedral.—Esher, 1 March.

[280 a.] Custody of spirituals and temporals of Barton oratory granted to m. Nicholas, r. of Niton, and ds. William Smyth, v. of Brading, it appearing that the archpriest, William

[1] Commendaria: praestatio pro tutelâ.—*Du Cange.*

Love, was a prisoner in the Fleet (in carcere dominis nostri regis de Flete), and no one in charge.—Southwark, 26 Oct., 1394.

Dispensation *super defectu natalium* granted to Walter West on authority of a letter from cardinal Francis, tit. S. Susannae,[1] —*Ib.*, 2 Nov.

[**280 b.**] Confessor's licenses granted to abbot of Chertsey and v. of Kingston-on-Thames for deanery of Ewell, and Thomas Nevyle,[2] a monk of Winchester cathedral, for the diocese.—Marwell, 9 March, 1394–5.

[**281 a.**] Mandate directed to abbot of Beaulieu to denounce excommunication against certain who had not paid the moiety of a tenth.[3]—Marwell, 12 March.

Official of archdeacon of Winchester directed to levy a halfpenny in the pound for the expenses in England of Bartholomew of Navarre, the nuncio, pursuant to an order of convocation.—*Ib.*, 16 March.

[**281 b.**] Similar mandate, addressed to official of archdeacon of Surrey.—Esher, 27 April, 1395.

[**282 b.**] Citation of vicar of Godalming, the collector for the archdeaconry of Surrey, for not paying over the quota for the archdeaconry, which is stated to amount to £4. 18*s.* 1*d.*—No date.

[**282 a.**] John, bp. of Glasgow, commissioned to reconcile the church of Leatherhead after pollution by bloodshed.—17 June, 1395.

Bishop of Achonry commissioned to dedicate the chapel, altars, graveyard, and altar tops at Winchester college :—

Venerabili in Christi patri ac domino, domino Symoni, Dei graciâ episcopo Accadensi, Willelmus, etc., salutem et fraterne dileccionis continuum incrementum. Ut capellam collegii nostri prope Wynton., nostre diocesis, necnon altaria in eodem erecta, et locum in cimeterio in dicto collegio ordinatum, ac lapides pro superaltaribus ordinatos dedicare et consecrare cum officio

[1] See p. 65 *n.*

[2] Prior 1394—1414.

[3] This tenth was granted in the Parliament held at Winchester after Christmas, 1393, towards the expenses of an intended embassy to France.—*Walsingham*, ii, 212.

debito, et in formâ ecclesie consuetâ possitis, ceteraque peragere et expedire, que in premissis et circa ea necessaria fuerint seu eciam oportuna, paternitati vestre reverende tenore presencium committimus vices nostras, et liberam hâc vice concedimus potestatem.—Farnham, 6 July, 1395.

Presentation of ds. John Wykeham, M.A., to church of Stockton, dio. Sarum.—Marwell, 26 March.

Dispensation for m. Robert Ketene, deacon, r. of Cobham (vol. i, p. 197), from the obligation of residence and taking priest's orders for three years, to study.—*Ib.*, 28 Aug.

[282 b.] Commission to inquire what sites of churches in Winchester have been taken possession of by laymen :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio decano Wynton. s. g. et b. Famâ publicâ referente, necnon plurimorum fidedignorum insinuacione clamosâ, ad nostram pervenit auditum, quod quamplura et diversa loca in civitate nostrâ Wyntoniensi et suburbio eiusdem sita et situata, in quibus ecclesie parochiales constructe fuerant et Deo Altissimo dedicate, nunc a viris laicis occupantur et detinentur, ac ad usus prophanos et mundanos illicitè convertuntur, contra canonicas sancciones. Quocirca vobis committimus et mandamus, quatenus de locis huiusmodi, que et qualia fuerunt, et per quos occupata existunt, per clericos et laicos premissorum obtinentes noticiam pleniorem inquiratis diligenter.

Et quid feceritis, etc.—Wolvesey, 1 April.

Commission directed to bp. of Achonry for benediction of Richard, abbot of Beaulieu.—Waltham, Jan. 12, 1395–6.

[283 a.] Commission granted to Thomas Eggesworthe, r. of Wonston, Richard Fremlyngham, r. of East Woodhay, and John Batour, r. of Avington, to collect four pence in the pound for the archbishop of Canterbury,[1] pursuant to following bull :—

Bonifacius episcopus, servus servorum Dei, venerabili Willelmo archiepiscopo Cantuariensi salutem et apostolicam benediccionem.

[1] Eodem anno (*Wals.* ii, 217), Willelmus Cantuariensis episcopus, non consideratâ depressione ecclesiasticâ, quâ jugiter premebatur per talliagia pendenda regi annis singulis, plus spectans suo privato commodo, quam communitatis incommodo, impetravit bullam ab apostolico gratiosam, ut levaret per totam suam provinciam quatuor denarios de qualibet librâ omnium bonorum ecclesiasticorum tam exemptorum quam non exemptorum, nullâ pretensâ causâ verâ nec legitimâ.

Dum tuorum magnitudinem meritorum ac sincere devocionis affectum, quem ad nos et Romanam feris ecclesiam, paternâ consideracione pensamus, dignum reputamus et debitum, ut ipsam Romanam ecclesiam tibi in exhibicione graciarum reponas munificam et in tuis oportunitatibus liberalem. Volentes igitur tuis oportunitatibus ut incumbencia tibi expensarum onera, que te et ecclesiam tuam Cantuariensem jugiter subire oportet, faciliùs supportare valeas de alicuius subvencionis auxilio providere, et proinde attendentes, quod divisa in partes onera leviùs perferuntur, ac equum reputantes et congruum, ut persone ecclesiastice tuarum civitatis et diocesis ac provincie Cantuariensis tecum huiusmodi onera partiantur: Ut ab omnibus et singulis personis ecclesiasticis, secularibus et regularibus, exemptis et non exemptis, civitatis et diocesis ac provincie tuarum, huiusmodi beneficia ecclesiastica, pro quibus decima persolvitur in eisdem civitate et diocesi ac provinciâ, obtinentibus, cuiuscumque preeminencie, dignitatis, statûs, gradûs, religionis, ordinis, vel condicionis existant, quatuor denarios de quâlibet librâ sterlingorum summe, ad quam huiusmodi beneficia sunt taxata, pro quolibet beneficio, quod persone ipse, et quelibet eorum in civitate, diocesi, ac provinciâ predictis obtinent, pro huiusmodi oneribus faciliùs supportandis petere et recipere, semel duntaxat, auctoritate nostrâ liberè valeas:

Non obstantibus quibuscunque statutis et consuetudinibus contrariis, ac privilegiis, indulgenciis, ac literis apostolicis, generalibus vel specialibus, quorumcunque tenorum existant, eisdem personis aut beneficiis seu religionibus aut ordinibus, vel eorum aliquibus, communiter vel divisim, sub quâcunque formâ vel expressione verborum concessis, per que non expressa, vel totaliter non inserta, effectus earum impediri valeat quomodolibet vel defferri, et de quibus quorumque totis tenoribus, ac de verbo ad verbum, habenda sit in nostris literis mencio specialis, que eis quoad hoc voluimus quovismodo suffragari, paternitati tue de speciali graciâ indulgemus. Nulli ergo omnino homini liceat hanc paginam nostre concessionis infringere, vel ei ausu temerario contraire. Si quis autem hoc attemptare presumpserit, indignacionem Omnipotentis Dei et beatorum Petri et Pauli apostolorum eius noverit se incursurum.

Romæ, ap. S. Petrum, vij Kal. April., pontificatûs nostri anno sexto.

[285 a.] Return by vicar of Godalming and rector of Ashstead, collectors for the archdeacon of Surrey, to a precept from the bishop, dated at Waltham, 14 January, 1395–6, requiring them to pay in the amount collected before the Purification. They return that they have collected £56 on account of the four-pence in the pound, and have tendered that sum to the archbishop's receivers, John Wyke, precentor of St. Paul's, and John Lynton, registrar. When the tender was made, Wyke was absent on the plea of business, and Lynton declined to receive the money in the absence of his colleague; inasmuch as there was no expectation of Wyke's return at an early date, they placed the money on deposit in London and returned to their own county to proceed with the collection. They are ready to pay over the £65 as soon as they hear of Wyke's return, and enclose a list of doubtful sums—de nominibus verò non solvencium de quibus diffidimus an solvant in futuro et de processibus contra eosdem per nos factis in quâdam cedulâ presentibus annexâ pleniùs patebit. Plures enim sunt alii, qui nondum persolverunt, spes tamen est quod in brevi persolvant, quorum nomina non duximus in eâdem cedulâ fore ingerenda.—Godalming, on St. Blase's day (3 Feb.), 1395.

[286 a.] Mandate directed to rectors of Shirbourne St. John, Wonston and Woodhay, to speed the collection of the fourpence in the pound, and they are to tell such as refuse payment—quod ad hoc teneantur vigore literarum predictarum, prout ut est hic Londoniis per jurisperitos pleniùs declaratum.[1]—Southwark, 27 April.

[289 b.] Further mandate, imputing delay in collection and remittance, and citing each of the rectors to appear at Esher. (Day not named).—No date.

[284 b.] Letter to abbess of St. Mary's, Winchester, to admit a sister :—

William p. la grace de Dieu evesq de Wyncestre a noz tres cheres files Johanne[2] abbesse et le covent de Seinte Marie de Wyncestre salutz ove la benedecceon de Dieu et la notre. Cum de droit et de la prerogative de notre esglise de Wyncestre vous

[1] *Walsingham* (ii, p. 218) alludes to the reluctance of many to pay this imposition, and the appeals against it as illegal, which ended with the life of the archbishop a few months later.

[2] Joan Denemede, vol. i, p. 153.

soietz tenuz a resceuire en nonaigne de votre maison une pucele p. nous nomee, et a ceo assigne p. cause de la nouvelle creacion de vous, Johanne, abbasse avantdite: nous voillantz garder et user les droitz et les prerogatives de notre dite esglise avouns nome en oevre de charite Johanne Bleden destre nonaigne entre vous en votre maison, quest de bone et honeste condition, come nous sumes enformes. Si nous vous mandons et chargeons q. a quelle heure q. la dite Johanne viegne devers vous ovesq cestes noz lettres, la facetez receuire bonement a-demorer entre vous cum votre soer et nonaigne et luy voillez treter, ministrer, et enformer solons votre reule en manere come vous avez faitz ayntz ces heures as autres en cas semblable. En tesmoignance, etc.—Waltham, 22 Dec., 1395.

Appointment of John Cook as bailiff of the manor of Twyford.—*Ib.*, 8 Jan., 1395–6.

Appointment of John Arches to be bailiff of the manor of Witney, Oxon.—*Ib.*, 14 Jan., 1395–6.

Grant of administration of the effects of John Mikeltone, one of the chaplains of Marwell (vol. i, p. 148), to John Campeden, r. of Cheriton.—*Ib.*, 30 Dec., 1395.

[285 b.] Penance imposed on certain who stole the candles offered at East Meon on Candlemas day:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto in Christo filio m. Roberto Ketene, r. ecclesie de Coveham, nostre diocesis, utriusque juris bacallaureo, s. g. et b. Cum nos certis parochianis ecclesie de Eastmeone, nostre diocesis, qui in die Purificacionis beate Marie virginis ultimo preterito candelas, quas more aliorum Christi fidelium ob honorem beate virginis predicte deferre et offerre debuissent, ex odio et maliciâ illicitè subtraxerunt, maioris excommunicacionis sentenciam in hâc parte a sanctis patribus promulgatam dampnabiliter incurrendo; recepto ab eisdem de stando mandatis ecclesie, ad sancta Dei evangelia juramento, injunximus, ut instanti die dominicâ quilibet ipsorum parochianorum unum cereum sive candelam cere accensam qualitatis et qualitatis quas prefatâ die Purificacionis, cessantibus odio et maliciâ predictis, optulisset, post offertorium alte misse dictum in ecclesiâ predictâ, ipsam candelam seu cereum sic accensum ad manus celebrantis

missam eandem offerat humiliter et devotè, sicque per suos familiares faciat offerri, ac alios in hâc parte culpabiles, quantum in quolibet ipsorum fuerit, inducat ad consimiliter offerendum; quam quidem penitenciam humiliter acceptârunt:

Ad vocandum igitur parochianos huiusmodi ut penitenciam peragant supradictam et exponendum publicè in ecclesiâ predictâ causam oblacionis predicte ab excommunicacione predictâ, eisque beneficium absolucionis in formâ juris imponendum, necnon ad denunciandum publicè alios parochianos in premissis culpabiles in predictam maioris excommunicacionis sentenciam incidisse, donec candelas sic subtractas alio aliquo die dominico per vos eis preficiendo obtulerint, ut prefertur, vobis vices nostras committimus, etc.—No date.

Resignation of Thomas Cranlegh, warden of New College.—*Ib.*—25 Feb., 1395–6.

Message to fellows and scholars to elect a successor:—

Willelmus, etc., collegii beate Marie Wynton. in Oxon. "Seinte Marie College of Wynchestre in Oxenforde" vulgariter nuncupati fundator et patronus, dilectis in Christo filiis sociis et scolaribus eiusdem collegii universis, salutem in Eo, qui est omnium vera salus. Vobis presentibus nostris literis intimamus, quod m. Thomas Cranlegh, nuper custos dicti collegii nostri, xxv^to^ die Februarii coram nobis in manerio nostro de Waltham, nostre diocesis, officio custodie collegii supradicti cessit et voluntariè resignavit, eò quod in obsequiis domini nostri regis ipsum insistere necessariò oportebit,[1] cuius cessionem ex causâ predictâ admisimus tunc ibidem.

Ne igitur vacacio diutina dicti nostri collegii vobis in personis et rebus sit grave dispendium allatura, et ut prefatum nostrum collegium sub boni custodis regimine protegatur a noxiis, ac pacis et caritatis affluat ubertate; nos, qui pro vobis intentâ sollicitudine vigilamus, quos eciam tanquam filios carissimos in vinculo dileccionis paterne prosequimur tantâ mente, universitatem vestram et devocionem monemus et per viscera misericordie Dei nostri, et per aspersionem sui preciosi sanguinis, animarumque vestrarum salutem, necnon sub divini obtestacione judicii obse-

[1] It does not appear what post under the Crown Cranlegh was about to accept, but in the following year he was elevated to the archbishopric of Dublin, and he was Chancellor of Ireland under Henry IV and Lord Justice under Henry V.—*Dict. Nat. Biog.*, xiii, 17.

cramus et in Domino exortamur, ut in eleccione vestrâ futuri custodis, solum Deum ac communem collegii predicti utilitatem habentes pre oculis, omni private affeccionis et singularitatis vicio deposito, et quibuslibet paccionibus, convencionibus, obligacionibus, juramentis, et conventiclis illicitis, necnon condicti et intendimenti contemplacione cessantibus et omnino semotis, vos in vinculo pacis, caritatis, et concordie colligentes, cum omni sollicitudine, maturitate et deliberacione, juxta nostrorum statutorum exigenciam et tenorem, virum providum et discretum, literarum scienciâ, moribus, et virtuosis artibus meritò commendandum, in spiritualibus et temporalibus plurimùm circumspectum, talem videlicet, quem secundum Deum et vestras consciencias justas vacanti collegio antedicto utiliorem et magis ydoneum esse credideritis, in custodem vestrum, puris et liberis mentibus, absque more dispendio, eligere studeatis, qui vobis plus prodesse cupiat quam preësse, ut per eius vigilanciam sollicitam, probitatem, et gubernacionem bonam dictum collegium nostrum ad Dei honorem ac cleri augmentum prosperè dirigi, et votivis valeat comodis honorari. In premissis taliter vos habentes, ut verus scrutator cordium, quem nichil latere poterit, ex factis et gestis vestris in hâc parte meritò contentetur.—*Ib.*, 26 Feb., 1395–6.

[**287 b.**] Resignation of John Elmere, warden-elect:—

In Dei nomine, amen. Ego Johannes Elmere in custodem collegii beate Marie in Oxon. nuper electus, ac de consenciendo eleccioni huiusmodi de me facte debitè requisitus, habitâ super negocio eleccionis huiusmodi et ipsam contingentibus deliberacione debitâ et maturâ, ac consideratis laboribus et oneribus, que racione dicti officii me subire oporteret, senciensque me propter frequentes infirmitates ac corporis debilitatem imparem et impotentem ad tale et tantum officium subeundum, gerendum, et eciam exercendum, ex causis predictis et aliis me in hâc parte moventibus omni juri per eleccionem huiusmodi acquisito vel aliqualiter competenti purè, sponte, et absolutè, et ex certâ scienciâ renuncio in hiis scriptis.

Lecta fuit predicta resignacio coram reverendo patre infrascripto per m. Johannem Elmere predictum xv° die mensis Aprilis a. d. millesimo CCC^mo^ nonagesimo sexto, in quodam ambulario inter capellam et cameram maiorem reverendi patris, etc., infra manerium suum de Esshere Wynton. dioc. situato,

et per reverendum patrem, etc., ibidem admissa, presentibus discretis viris mm. Joh. de Campeden de Chiritone, Ricardo Maleford de Clatforde et Roberto Ketene de Coveham, Wynton. dioc., ecclesiarum rectoribus.

[288 a.] Intimation of the vacancy by letter, beginning "In Christo precarissimi," to the sub-warden and fellows of New college, and ending "quare volumus, affectuosè vos rogantes, quatenus ad novam eleccionem de aliâ personâ ydoneâ faciendam juxta statutorum nostrorum collegii supradicti exigenciam et tenorem cum celeritate absque more dispendio procedatis."

[288 b.] Confirmation of Richard Malford, warden elect:—

Willelmus, etc., collegii beate Marie Wynton. in Oxon. fundator et patronus, dilecto in Christo filio m. Ricardo Malford, magistro in artibus, rectori ecclesie parochialis de Hauyngdone eciam dicte West Wycombe, Lincolniensis diocesis, s. g. et b. Presentatâ nobis eleccione de personâ tuâ in custodem collegii nostri predicti vacantis noviter factâ, quia invenimus te virum providum et discretum, literarum sciencîâ, vitâ, et moribus meritò comendandum, in spiritualibus et temporalibus plurimùm circumspectum, triginta annos etatis habentem, prout dicti collegii ordinaciones et statuta exigunt et requirunt, necnon modum et formam in eleccione custodis collegii predicti per eadem nostra ordinaciones et statuta requisitam in eleccione tuâ factam fuisse et esse debitè observatos: Idcirco te preficimus in custodem nostri collegii supradicti, et regimen et gubernacionem ipsius collegii in spiritualibus et temporalibus, ac personam eiusdem, tibi plenariè committentes, firmâ conceptâ fiduciâ, quod Divinâ tibi assistente graciâ, dictum collegium per tue circumspeccionis industriam et ministerium fructuosum prosperitatis felicia suscipiet incrementa.—Esher, 12 May, 1396.

Monition for sub-warden, fellows, and scholars to obey the new warden (see form, p. 415).—Same date.

[286 a.] Certificate by the bishop, dated Wolvesey, 31 March, 1396, of having imposed on the bearer of the following letter the penance awarded by the apostolic penitancer:—

Venerabili in Christo patri, Dei graciâ episcopo Wynton., vel eius vicario in spiritualibus, f. Johannes de Colchestre, domini

pape penitenciarius, salutem in Domino. Walterum Pycard, laicum vestre diocesis, latorem presencium, qui olim, prout laciùs vobis exponet, instigante diabolo, quemdam presbyterum interfecit, a generali excommunicacionis sentenciâ, quam propter hoc incurrit, et reatu huiusmodi presbytericidii ac peccatis suis aliis ad vos auctoritate domini pape juxta formam ecclesie remittimus absolutum ; mandantes ei inter alia sub debito prestiti juramenti, ut per omnes maiores ecclesias illius loci, ubi fuit tantum facimus perpetratum, nudus et discalciatus, braccis duntaxat retentis, virgam ferens in manibus, et corrigiam [1] circa collum, si securè poterit, incedat, et ante fores ipsarum ecclesiarum a presbyteris earundem psalmum penitencialem dicentibus se faciat verberari, quando maior in eis aderit populi multitudo, suum publicè confitendo reatum ; ecclesie autem, si cui dictus occisus presbyter serviebat, si non satisfecit, satisfaciat competenter.

Et si aliquod feodum ab ipsâ ecclesiâ tenuit, vel jus patronatûs obtinet, ipse et eius heredes illis perpetuò sint private.

Et, ne minus vindicte quam excessûs memoria prerogetur, liberi descendentes ab eo inhabiles sint propter hoc ad beneficium ecclesiasticum obtinendum, nisi cum eis fuerit super hoc per sedem apostolicam misericorditer dispensatum.

Vos autem, ipsius confessione diligenter auditâ, et culpâ consideratâ, injungatis inde sibi auctoritate predictâ penitenciam talem, que sibi sit ad salutem, et aliis ad terrorem. Ceterùm si que mandatur facere et satisfacere forte contempsit, in dictam summam ipso jure noverit se relapsum. Dat. Rome, apud S. Petrum, x Kal. Mai. pontificatûs domini Bonifacii pape noni anno quinto.

[289 a.] Excommunication denounced at the instance of the warden of Sandon hospital (John Carles, vol. i, p. 180), against certain children of iniquity, names unknown, who "clausum hospitalis predicti ingredientes, nonnulla vasa, utensilia, cartas, munimenta, ac alia dicti hospitalis ornamenta, et bona infra dictum hospitale existencia asportârunt, et concelant," and against tenants who are in arrear with their rents.—Esher, 14 May, 1396.

Citation to be read in parish churches of Lambeth, St. George

[1] A leathern thong, "corrigiam sibi in collo ponere" in signum servitutis.—*Du Cange.*

and St. Margaret, Southwark, and Camberwell, of purchasers of live stock, hay, corn and other articles from one Thomas, late bailiff of dame Margaret Wallworth's manor of Walleworth, who had lately met his death by accident, requiring them to return articles purchased, or account for the value thereof to dame Margaret within fifteen days, under pain of excommunication.—Esher, 15 May, 1396.

[290 a.] Monition of vicar of Micheldever to find a curate to serve Popham chapel :—

Henry Popham and other inhabitants of the hamlet of Popham, within the parish of Micheldever, having impleaded the vicar before the commissary super invencione unius capellani, missas et alia divina officia in capellâ de Popham predictâ singulis diebus, cessante impedimento legitimo, celebraturi, sacramentaque et sacramentalia ecclesiastica quecunque, sepulturâ ecclesiasticâ duntaxat exceptâ, sumptibus et expensis vicarii ecclesie predicte, qui pro tempore fuerit, ministraturi, necnon in domo apud hamelettam predictam pro morâ et habitacione capellani huiusmodi antiquitus ordinatâ continuè moraturi, the vicar appeared and admitted the obligation ; whereupon the commissary decreed quatenus premissa omnia per eum, ut premittitur, confessata deceterò observet et faciat observari, and the vicar promised so to do, and was sworn in that behalf.

Confirmation by the bishop.—Southwark, 23 Jan., 1393–4.

Proceedings in the case of the rector of Faccombe, whose health was so bad, that he would not be able to officiate during the impending season of Lent :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio sequestratori nostro in archidiaconatu Wyntoniensi s. g. et b. Famâ publicâ referente ad nostras aures pervenit, quod rector ecclesie de Faccombe, nostri diocesis, adeo gravi languoris adversâ valitudine detinetur, vel sic adeo sane mentis alienacione laborat, quod nequit ecclesie predicte in divinis celebrandis et sacramentis ministrandis deservire, nec habet capellanum parochialem aliqualem pro divinis huiusmodi celebrandis seu sacramentis ecclesiasticis ministrandis quadragesimali tempore jam instante ; unde grave exinde imminet periculum animarum, nisi super hoc per nos provideatur celeriter remedio oportuno.

Nos igitur, volentes animarum subditorum nostrorum periculis, quantum poterimus, salubriter obviare, tibi committimus et mandamus, quatenus ad dictam ecclesiam personaliter accedentes (*sic*), si est ita, rectorem auctoritate nostrâ moneas et inducas, ac per ecclesiasticas, si opus fuerit, compellas censuras, ut infra vj dierum spacium a tempore monicionis huiusmodi continuè numerandorum capellanum ydoneum provideat et ibidem collocet loco suo, qui divina officia durante huiusmodi infirmitate suâ sive mentis alienacione inibi debitè celebret et ministret.

Quod si huiusmodi monicionibus tuis predictis rector parere contempserit seu non curaverit, tu auctoritate nostrâ capellano aliquo ydoneo provideas ecclesie supradicte, qui sacramenta et officia supradicta, durante languore prefato seu mentis alienacione predictâ dictis parochianis valeat ministrare, et ecclesie servire predicte, cui de fructibus ipsius ecclesie facias vite necessaria interim racionabiliter exhiberi, ne cura animarum predictarum cum gravi discrimine negligatur, et sanguis eorum de nostris manibus requiratur.

Et quid feceritis, etc.—Date wanting.

[290 b.] Excommunication denounced[1] against such as maliciously impute incontinence with two friars-minors to Agnes Meltone after she has purged herself of the charge.—Not dated.

[291 a.] Excommunication denounced against some who intermeddle with the goods of William Burnham, of the parish of St. Laurence, Winchester, a deceased intestate, after sequestration of the ordinary.—Waltham, 11 Aug., 1396.

Deputation to kill game in chace of Downton :—

A toutz ceux q cestes nos lettres verront ou orront William, per la grace de Dieu evesqe de Wyncestre, salutz en Dieu. Sachez nous avoir ordeignez, deputez, et assignez noz bien amez Henry Popham, John Deakene, notre baillyf de Dountone, et John Fromond, pur chacer deinz notre chace de Dountone, et pur prendre notre grece, sibien de cerfs come de daymes, deinz notre chace susdite ; et comandons noz ministres et tenantz, et

[1] Pursuant to the following resolution at the Consilium Oxoniense pro ecclesiâ Anglicanâ reformandâ, convened by archbp. Stephen Langton, A.D. 1222, 7 Hen. III :—Excommunicamus omnes illos, qui graciâ odii, lucri, vel favoris, vel aliâ quâcunque causâ alicui maliciosè crimen imponunt.—Cf. Wilkins' *Concilia*, i, p. 585.

prions as autres noz bien voillantz et amys de notre seignoire illeoqs, q as ditz Henry, John, et John ou a deux de eux, ceo fesantz, soier eidantz et entendantz. En tesmoignance, etc.—Waltham, 16 Aug., 1396.

Commission to visit St. Mary's abbey, directed to mm. Nicholas Wykeham, archdeacon of Wilts, and John Elmere, the official.—Sutton (Bishop's), 2 Sept.

[291 b.] Commission to same to visit Romsey abbey.—Waltham, 8 Sept.

F. Ralph Basynge,[1] a monk of Winchester cathedral, ds. John Umfray, pr., and William Brugges, pr., appointed confessors to abbess and nuns of Romsey.—Date wanting.

License to abbess and nuns to confess to these confessors, with revocation of confessor's license held by f. John Burgeys, and a monition ne alicui presbytero seculari in ecclesiâ vestrâ conventuali servienti, aut in villâ de Romeseye, sive alibi comoranti, seu religioso cuicunque, ad vos in cameris vel infra claustrum vestrum frequenter accessum habere quomodolibet permittatis, neque ad confabulacionem aliquam, nisi assistente et audiente aliâ commoniali honestâ et fidedignâ, seu ad perhendinacionem nocturnam faciendam inter septa claustri aliquam secularem personam deceterò admittatis, seu admitti aliqualiter permittatis.—Date wanting.

Form of commission to take an inventory of the goods of West Shirbourne priory, when the prior was thought to be dying:—

Ex relacione fidedignâ ad nostrum pervenit auditum, quod Ingelramus prior prioratûs de Scherebourne, nostre diocesis, adeo gravi sui corporis infirmitate est deterioratus, quod suis rebus et dicti prioratûs agendis superesse non poterit, ac jam de ipsius convalescenciâ plurimùm dubitetur; et in eventu vacacionis eiusdem per mortem dicti prioris, prioratus antedictus, in quo non sunt plures monachi, in rebus tam sacris quam prophanis grave dispendium visibiliter sustinere possit preter et jacturam, nisi periculo huiusmodi remedio congruo occurratur.

Vobis igitur committimus, etc.—No date.

[1] Died in 1405.—*Obedientiary Rolls of St. Swithun's, Winchester*, p. 427.

[292 a.] Notice to prior of Southwick of the bishop's intention to visit the priory on the Friday after St. John before the Latin Gate (6 May).—Farnham, 27 April, 1397.

Commission to m. Nicholas Wykeham, archdeacon of Wilts, and m. John Elmere, the official, to visit the priory.—*Ib.*, 2 May.

[292 b.] Writ of summons to Parliament at Westminster, 22 January, 1396–7 :—

Ricardus, etc., venerabili in Christo patri W., eâdem graciâ episcopo Wyntoniensi, salutem. Quia de advisamento consilii nostri pro quibuslibet arduis et urgentibus negociis nos, statum, et defensionem regni nostri Anglie ac ecclesie Anglicane contingentibus, quoddam parliamentum nostrum apud Westm. in festo S. Vincencii proximè futuro[1] teneri ordinaverimus, et ibidem vobiscum ac cum ceteris prelatis, magnatibus, et partibus dicti regni colloquium habere et tractatum ; vobis in fide et dileccione, quibus nobis tenemur, firmiter injungendo mandamus, quod consideratis dictorum negociorum arduitate, et periculis imminentibus, cessante quâcunque excusacione, dictis die et loco personaliter intersitis, nobiscum, ac cum ceteris prelatibus, magnatibus, et partibus predictis super dictis negociis tractaturi, verumque consilium impensuri.

Et hoc, sicut nos et honorem nostrum ac salvacionem et defensionem regni et ecclesie predictorum, expedicionemque dictorum negociorum diligitis, nullatenus omittatis, ne, quod absit, per vestrî absenciam, quam nisi tantâ infirmitate tunc detenti fueritis, quod aliqualiter illuc laborare non poteritis, nullo modo excusatam habere volumus istâ vice, expedicio negociorum nostrorum predictorum retardetur, seu aliqualiter differatur.

Premunientes priorem et capitulum ecclesie S. Swithuni, Wynton., ac archidiaconos, totumque clerum vestre diocesis, quod iidem prior et archidiaconi in propriis personis suis, ac dictum capitulum per unum, idemque clerus per duos procuratores ydoneos, plenam et sufficientem potestatem ab ipsis capitulo et clero divisim habentes, dictis die et loco personaliter intersint ad consenciendum hiis, que tunc ibidem de communi consilio ipsius regni, divinâ favente clemenciâ, contigerit ordinari.

[1] 22 Jan., 1396–7.—*Walsingham*, ii, 222.

Teste me ipso apud Westm. xxx^{mo} die Novembris, anno regni nostri vicesimo.

Citation of Edward Bouclonde of Heckfield, and Walter his man, for laying violent hands on Adam Lutone, the vicar (vol. i, p. 199), dated Waltham, 7 Sept., 1396. Dean of Basingstoke returns that he left the citation with Bouclond's wife. His man could not be found.

[293 a.] Prior of Christchurch Twynham deputed to collect in archdeaconry of Winchester the moiety of a tenth granted in convocation this year, by two equal portions payable on St. John Baptist's day and All Saints' day.—Esher, 21 May, 1397.

[293 b.] Similar deputation to abbot of Waverley for archdeaconry of Surrey, and

Return of the names of the collectors to archbishop.—Southwark, 12 June.

Commission to visit the priory of St. Mary Overy directed to John Elmere, the official, William Stucle, an advocate of the Arches court, and John de Ware.—Esher, 2 June.

Publication of archbishop's mandate for prayers for the king, the peace of the realm, and unity of the church, addressed to bp. of London from Dunmow, 24 July :—

Inter omnia speciosa, quibus inclitum regnum Anglie decoratur, illud nimirum prosperrimè ipsum ornat, ut pax inter regnicolas vigeat et teneat principatum. Hoc etenim considerans excellentissimus in Christo princeps et dominus noster rex nos jam pridem precabatur attentè, quatenus pro salubri statu suo, pace, et affectatâ tranquillitate regni sui predicti, ac unitate universalis ecclesie, apud Altissimum, pacis auctorem, qui preces supplicum ad se devotè clamancium clementer exaudit, et multiplicatis intercessoribus complacatur, preces humiles effundere, ac processiones solempnes cum solitâ decantacione litanie in quâlibet diocesi nostre provincie facere curaremus. Quocirca, etc. Prayers ordered in usual form but no forty days indulgence. —Waltham, 12 August.

[294 b.] Summons to archdeacons, prior and chapter of Winchester, and clergy by their proctors to convocation at St.

Paul's on 8th October, pursuant to archbishop's mandate, reciting writ dated 14 August, 21 Ric. II.—Southwark, 18 Sept.

[**296 a.**] License of non residence during pleasure granted to r. of Wickham (vol. i, p. 199), at instance of Sibil, wife of John Uvedale.—Waltham, 20 March, 1395–6.

Grant of custody of the priory of St. Mary Overy, and regulations for its better government, the prior[1] being incapacitated :—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis in Christo filiis suppriori et conventui, etc., s. g. et b. Quia priore vestro gravi infirmitate detento, ut intelligimus, nonnulli ipsius prioratûs vestri canonici, qui deberent in claustro juxta regularia constituta divinis obsequiis vigilare, septa prioratûs eiusdem absque licenciâ et causâ legitimâ exeuntes, per vicos et plateas, eciam temporibus indebitis, discurrere non verentur, in grave animarum suarum periculum, dictique prioratûs et ordinis ipsorum scandalum manifestum ; quorum excessus et delicta nunc minimè corriguntur.

Volumus igitur et ordinamus, quod supprior prioratûs predicti et f. Johannes Stacy, dicti prioratûs canonicus, omnium spiritualium prioratûs eiusdem custodiam, gubernacionem, et regimen vite prioris predicti, durante infirmitate eiusdem, habeant atque gerant, eisdem firmiter injungentes, ut arta spiritualia predicta amodo vacent (*sic*) et diligenter intendant.

Quibus quidem suppriori et Johanni ad corrigendum et puniendum excessus et delicta canonicorum delinquencium, cum consilio, si oporteat, et auxilio m. Willelmi Stucle et Johannis Ware, committimus vices nostras :

Inhibentes expressè, ne quisquam canonicorum dictorum deceterò, absque causâ arduâ et literâ speciali a predictis suppriore et f. Johanne Stacy obtentâ, septa prioratûs predicti exeat, sub penâ carceris quovismodo.

Et, ut temporalia dicti prioratûs recto ordine gubernentur, volumus et eciam ordinamus, quod [**296 b.**] f. Jacobus Kestevene, dicti prioratûs canonicus, sit quarumcunque pecuniarum ad dictum prioratum spectancium generalis receptor ; priori dicti prioratûs, et ceteris canonicis universis, firmiter inhibentes, ne quis ipsorum deceterò aliquas pecunias recipiat de redditibus,

[1] Vol. i, pp. 196, 214.

ecclesiis, et maneriis, aut de ballivorum seu firmariorum manibus, seu aliter quovismodo.

Quem quidem f. Jacobum receptorem generalem, Ricardum Yngham reddituarium,[1] omnem pecuniam receptam et recipiendam predicto f. Johanni Stacy, quem dicti prioratûs thesaurarium deputamus, quolibet die Sabbati septimane illius, in quâ pecunias receperint, easdem per indenturas inter ipsos Jacobum et Ricardum et Johannem Stacy, thesaurarium predictum, faciendas integraliter volumus liberare; quodque pecunie huiusmodi universe statim post liberacionem ipsarum dicto f. Johanni Stacy, ut prefertur, factam, reponantur integrè et fideliter in quâdam cistâ infra sacristariam dicti prioratûs sub duabus seruris securiùs conservanter; cuius quidem ciste clavem unam gerat thesaurarius predictus, et clavem alteram supprior predictus aut m. Johannes Ware loco eiusdem.

Ordinamus eciam et volumus, quod f. Jacobus Kestevene, dicti prioratûs canonicus, omnimodas faciat deceterò pecuniarum soluciones dictum prioratum concernentes, et non alius quovismodo; cui m. Johannem Ware aut Ricardum Yngham predictos, unâ cum f. Willelmo Able, dicti prioratûs canonicus, contrarotulare volumus de omnibus solucionibus supradictis.

Volumus eciam et ordinamus, quod Walterus Hoke, dicti prioratûs senescallus, recontinuet et teneat curias prioratûs predicti more solito et antiquo, et quod sit omnium placitorum dicte domûs, tam per priorem et conventum eiusdem, quam contra ipsos inceptorum seu movendorum gubernator, et ea diligenciùs prosequatur; quodque prior et conventus nullas concessiones, dimissiones, vendicaciones, obligaciones, aut tallias dicto prioratui onerosas faciant sine consensu m. Willelmi Stucle aut m. Johannis Ware et Walteri Hoke dicti; et quod in quibuscunque arduis negociis dicti prioratûs, presertim circa temporalia, requiratur consilium Walteri predicti.

Item ordinamus et volumus, quod Willelmus cocus sit omnium victualium ad coquinam dicte domûs pertinencium emptor et provisor; et quod inde computet singulis diebus fideliter in presenciâ m. Johannis Ware et Willelmi Able, seu alterius per ipsos deputandi.

[1] Renter. The "renter warden" of a City Company is the member of the Court who takes the rents.

Item ordinamus et volumus, quod unus vir discretus, diligens, et fidelis sit ad officium botellarii deputatus, qui panis et cervisie spectancium ad aulam prioris emptor et provisor existat, et quod inde computet quolibet die Sabbati coram Johanne Ware et Willelmo Able, seu alio per ipsos ad hoc specialiter deputando.

Ordinamus preterea et volumus, quod omnia opera, tam lignea, quam lapidea, plumbea, et ferrea ad dictum prioratum pertinencia incipiantur et fiant per consilium, advisamentum, et discrecionem Simonis Hoke, sementarii,[1] et Stephani Carpenter, in artibus predictis plurimum expertorum et utilitatem domûs predicte multipliciter affectancium.

Item ordinamus et volumus, quatenus magna porta interior dicti prioratûs, per quam fit introitus per seculares personas in prioratu predicto, claudatur, et sic clausa et firmata per janitorem dicti prioratûs, seu servientem eiusdem, continuè custodiatur, nisi ex causâ racionabili dicta porta fuerit necessariò aperienda.

Item in virtute obediencie vobis injungimus et mandamus, quatenus missa beate Marie virginis in dicto prioratu cum notâ cotidie celebranda per canonicos prioratûs eiusdem amodo celebretur, prout antiquitùs fieri consuevit.

Et, quia viso compoto expensarum dicti prioratûs aperciùs nobis constat, quod domus predicta per expensas victualium in aulâ prioris hactenus factas nimium pregravetur, volumus et vobis suppriori et f. Johanni Stacy predictis, in virtute obediencie firmiter injungendo mandamus, quatenus familiam dicti prioratûs [297 a.] superfluam et excessivam, presertim clericos per dominum Willelmum Chantour introductos, qui dicto prioratui inutiles et superflui existunt, absque more dispendio amoveatis, quibus victualia sumptibus dicte domûs in futurum nullatenus ministrentur.

Item, quia intelleximus, quod dicti prioratûs confratres in refectorio consedentes clamores fiunt publicè et loquuntur ; vobis in virtute obediencie firmiter injungendo mandamus, quatenus fratres in refectorio singulis diebus consedentes ibidem continuè silencium teneant ac lecture ibidem publicè facte diligenter intendant.

Supradictas nostras ordinaciones, injuncciones, et mandata vobis transmittimus in virtute obediencie et sub penâ carceris

[1] Stonemason.

districciùs observandas, donec aliter in hâc parte duximus ordinandum. Et ut premissa omnia et singula, ut premittitur, observentur, mm. Willelmum Stucle et Johannem Ware predictos ordinacionum et injunccionum conservatores et executores tenore presencium deputamus.—Southwark, 2 July, 1397.

[297 b.] Subprior enjoined to have an account of rents received during last four years made up for audit:—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto in Christo filio, etc. Quia nos comodum et incrementum prioratûs predicti ere alieno multipliciter pregravati precipuè affectantes, de statu prioratûs eiusdem, necnon de omnibus et singulis pecuniarum summis ipsius prioratûs per redditiuum eiusdem collectores et alios quoscunque ab anno regni regis Ricardi secundi decimo septimo usque ad diem date presencium receptis pleniùs effici volumus cerciores; Tibi committimus et mandamus, firmiter injungentes, quatenus premunias, seu premuniri facias, fratres Johannem Stacy et Johannem Maltone, dicti prioratûs canonicos, necnon Johannem Everarde, clericum, et Ricardum Yngham, qui denariorum redditiuum prioratûs predicti temporibus successivis exstiterant collectores, quod ipsi et eorum quilibet ad computandum fideliter coram certis auditoribus per nos ad hoc eis deputandis in septimanâ proximâ post instans festum S. Michaelis Archangeli infra prioratum predictum de quibuscunque pecuniarum summis per eos singulariter receptis preparent et realiter computent, clarè, distinctè eciam, et apertè.—*Ib.*, 15 Sept.

Appointment of auditors:—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis nobis in Christo mm. Willelmo Stucle, Johanni Ware, ac domino Willelmo Nortone et Waltero Hoke, s. g. et b. Ad audiendum compotum fratrum Johannis Stacy et Johannis Maltone, canonicorum prioratûs beate Marie de Overee in Suthwerke, Johannis Everarde, et Ricardi Yngham, de toto et omni tempore quo exstiterant redditiuarii et receptores denariorum prioratûs predicti, necnon quorumcunque ballivorum, firmariorum, officiarorum, et ministrorum ecclesiarum et maneriorum prioratûs predicti, eisque, et eorum cuilibet, plenam justiciam faciendam, ac omnia alia et singula huiusmodi compotum concernencia facienda, expedienda, et exequenda secundum formam statuti regni Anglie in hoc casu editi et provisi, vobis conjunctim, seu

duobus vestrûm divisim, tenore presencium committimus vices nostras.—*Ib.*, 23 Sept., 1397.

[297 a.] Robert Ede, r. of Ashstead (vol. i, p. 133) appointed sequestrator for archdeaconry of Surrey.—Esher, 2 November, 1396.

[297 b.] Licenses of non-residence granted, to ds. Robert Alkebarewe, r. of Faringdon, in order to be in attendance on the bp. of Exeter[1]; and to John Haycroft, r. of Little Bookham (vol. i, p. 196), and John Fernham, r. of Lasham (*ib.*, p. 184), for one year.—Southwark, 1 Oct., 1397.

M. John Bernet, official principal, Thomas Stowe, archd. of London, William Stucle, and John Ware, or any one of them, appointed proctors to appear for the bishop at the impending convocation, "quia nos corporali molestiâ et aliis propediti negociis in instanti convocacione [298 a.] prelatorum et cleri vestre Cantuariensis provincie octavo die presentis mensis Octobris in ecclesiâ S. Pauli Londoniensis faciendâ interesse personaliter non valemus"; by letter to archbp. dated Esher, 4 Oct.

John Arnold, "noster clericus commensalis," appointed apparitor-general.—Esher, 12 Oct.

Prior of Canterbury, in the absence of the archbishop in parts remote,[2] to the bishop, to return into the exchequer before Martinmas the names of the collectors of the moiety of a tenth granted by convocation in the preceding month, pursuant to writ dated at Westminster 28 Oct., 21 Ric. II.—Canterbury priory, 2 Nov.

[298 b.] Return of the names: Prior of Christchurch Twynham, for archdeaconry of Winchester, and abbot of Waverley, for archdeaconry of Surrey.—Highclere, 5 Dec.

Grant of forty days indulgence to such as should subscribe to redeem a Portuguese from the hands of the Saracens: omnibus subditis suis, verè contritis et confessis, qui ad redempcionem Didegi Fernard de Beessâ, filii Johannis Fernard, de

[1] He was patron (see vol. i, p. 210).

[2] Thomas Arundel, who succeeded archbishop Courtenay a few months before, had been banished by the king; contra omnem justiciam, says *Walsingham*, ii, 224.

loco de Trancoso,[1] in regno Portugalie, nuper capti per Sarasenos infidelissimos in proelio quo m. de Alcantara[2] succubuit, et fuerat ductus ad loca *de cepta*, ubi incarceratus, famem, sitim, frigus, et verbera per spacium duorum annorum et trium mensium passus est, manus porrexerint adjutrices, xl dies indulgencie. Per unum annum tantummodo duraturum.—*Ib.*, 7 Dec., 1397.

[299 a.] John Elmere, the official, appointed coadjutor to Robert Lincoln, r. of Alverstoke (vol. i, p. 245).—Highclere, 14 Jan., 1397–8.

Deputation of Walter Hoke to be bailiff of the manor of Southwark.—*Ib.*, 11 Jan.

Letter to king, naming Richard Felde, Robert Faryngdone, and John de Campeden, or any one of them, proctors to appear for the bishop at the adjourned sitting of Parliament at Salop in the quindene of Easter, 1398,[3] on the ground of ill health.—*Ib.*, 20 Jan., 1397–8.

[299 b.] John Batour, r. of Shirbourne St. John, licensed to marry Robert, son of Thomas de la Mare of Aldermestone, dio. Sarum (Aldermaston, Berks), and Katherine, daughter of sir Bernard Brocas, kt., of the parish of Shirbourne St. John, after publication of banns.—*Ib.*, 21 Jan., 1397–8.

William, curate of St. Mary Magdalen, Southwark, licensed to marry John Gower[4] and Agnes Groundolf, without banns, in Gower's oratory within his lodging in the priory of St. Mary Overy, Southwark.—*Ib.*, 25 Jan.

Penitancers licensed :—

Ralph Basynge,[5] a monk of St. Swithun's priory, and Robert Walyngforde, the sub-prior, for the diocese.

Vicars of Romsey and Sombourn, for deanery of Sombourn.

Prior of Christchurch Twynham, for deanery of Forde.

Rector of Abbot's Ann, for deanery of Andover.

[1] A town in province of Beira.

[2] The Quixotic Grand Master of Alcantara, who in 1394, having ineffectually challenged the Moorish king of Granada to meet him in single combat, marched up to the gates of his capital with a few followers and was cut to pieces by the Moors.

[3] This parliament met at London on Monday next after the Exaltation of the Holy Cross (14 Sept.), 1397, but after the execution of the duke of Gloucester was prorogued until the quindene of Easter, 1398, at Salop.—*Walsingham*, ii, 226.

[4] This was Gower the poet.—*Dict. Nat. Biog.*, xxv, 299.

[5] See p. 440 *n.*

Rectors of Stratfieldsaye and Hannington, for deanery of Basingstoke.

M. John Elmere, for deaneries of Alresford and Alton.

Rectors of Shere and Peperharrow, for deanery of Guildford.

R. of Walton-on-Thames and v. of Kingston-on-Thames, for deanery of Ewell.

R. of Rotherhithe and v. of Camberwell, for deanery of Southwark.

R. of Niton, for deanery of Isle of Wight.

R. of South Waltham and v. of Eastmeon, for deanery of Droxford.

M. Walter Aude, v. of St. Michael's, Southampton, for deanery of Southampton.

Ib., 15 Feb., 1397–8.

[300 a.] Excommunication denounced against certain persons unknown who laid violent hands on Richard, capellanus of Steep,[1] sua virilia nequiter amputando.—*Ib.*, 18 Feb.

Denunciation of unauthorised collectors of alms :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto in Christo filio, officiali archidiaconi nostri Surreiensis, s. g. et b. Licet per sacros canones prohibeatur expressè, ne elemosinarum questores, nisi apostolicas vel diocesani episcopi literas, examinacionem literarum huiusmodi per eosdem episcopos factam, nequid fraudis committi valeat per easdem, continentes exhibuerint, ad insinuandum populo indulgencias sibi concessas et caritatina subsidia postulandum, quomodolibet admittantur ; quodque questores huiusmodi cum literis predictis admissi, preter id, quod in literis eisdem continebitur, nichil proponere debeant quovismodo. Sunt tamen hiis diebus, ut intelleximus, nonnulli elemosinarum questores, predicto modo nullatenus admissi, qui inter missarum solempnia in ecclesiis archidiaconatûs Surreiensis, nostre diocesis, ipsorum negocia et confictas indigencias subditis nostris, ac indulgencias, ut asserunt, multipliciter concessas exponunt, non sine magne temeritatis audaciâ et decepcione multiplici animarum, absque potestate quâcunque injunctas penitencias relaxando ; sicque et aliis modis illicitis a simplicibus subtili et fallaci ingenio indies extorquent magnam pecunie quantitatem. Nos igitur, tot et tantis nephandis abusionibus pro viribus occurrere cupientes, vobis committimus, etc., quatenus sine more dispendio huiusmodi pecuniam per quoscunque questores in dicto archidiaconatu hactenus collectam, in quorumcunque manibus existat, vice et

[1] A hamlet, two and a half miles north of Petersfield. The church is described here as "capella de Stepe, ecclesie parochiali de Estmeone unita et annexa."

auctoritate nostrâ sequestretis . . . . donec iidem questores literas et indulgencias, et quicquid pro se habeant in hâc parte sufficienter exhibuerint coram nobis.

Questors cited to produce credentials, and clergy enjoined not to admit them to their churches unless they produce an authority under the bishop's seal.—*Ib.*, 19 Feb., 1397–8.

[300 b.] Prior of Christchurch Twynham appointed to collect the second moiety of a tenth granted by convocation (see p. 476), with exemption of the nuns at Wintney priory.—Farnham, 20 Feb.

Ceremonial in the bishop's private chapel at Highclere, 17 Feb., 1397–8, when the pallium was conferred on archbishop Roger[1] by the bishop under authority from Rome in the presence of Nicholas Wykeham, archdeacon of Wilts; John Campeden, archdeacon of Surrey; John Elmere, the official; and William Bulcote, Robert Ketene, Walter Aude, John Knyvyngtone, John Fermer, Henry Harbourne, John Topcrofte, and John Arnold, clk., cum multis aliis in multitudine copiosâ.

For ceremonial and oath, see p. 83.

Presentation of William Rede, clk., to the church of Little Hinton, void by death of Robert Wych the last rector.—Southwark, 1 March.

[301 b.] Grant of license to Katherine, lady de Gayne, to hear divine service in an oratory of her own, and to choose her own confessor, for the space of one year.—*Ib.*, 2 March.

Dimissory for John ——, Charles ——, and John Romeney, monks of Merton, to subdeacon's orders.—Farnham, 23 Feb.

Inhibition pending visitation of priory of St. Mary Overy, which was postponed to third day after St. George (23 April).—*Ib.*, 13 March.

Grant of license to prior of St. Mary Overy to let benefices appropriated to the priory, with a proviso that none of the buildings shall be used as taverns or for unlawful trades—hoc quoque proviso, quod in domibus ecclesiarum predictarum taberne aut alia commercia seu mercimonia illicita et inhonesta,

[1] Roger Waldene, who was made archbishop after Arundel's banishment.

per que scandala generentur ecclesiis, nullatenus teneantur.—Same date.

[302 a.] Dean of Ewell chidden for not paying the quota of the moiety of the tenth for his deanery to abbot of Waverley. —*Ib.*, 19 March, 1397–8.

Letter of license for collectors of alms for repairs and lights at Winchester cathedral.[1]—*Ib.*, 28 March, 1398.

[302 b.] Ds. John Frere, pr., and ds. John Kyngestone, pr., licensed to confess penitents and administer the Eucharist in the hamlet of Cranbourne at the impending season of Easter, saving the rights of the parish church of Wonston.—6 March, 1397–8.

Return to Exchequer of names of collectors of second instalment of the moiety of a tenth granted in 1397, viz., prior of Christchurch Twynham for archdeaconry of Winchester, and abbot of Waverley for archdeaconry of Surrey.—Farnham, 24 Feb., 1397–8.

Will of Simon, bp. of Achonry, Englished :—

Bequeaths soul to God and body to be buried in St. Mary's chapel in Quarr abbey. To the abbot, 40*s.* ; to the prior, 6*s.* 8*d.* ; to Stephen, one of the monks, 6*s.* 8*d.* ; for distribution amongst the monks to pray for his soul, 53*s.* 4*d.* ; to m. Nicholas, his girdle of silk with silver gilt spangles ; to r. of Arreton, 40*s.* ; to Michael the testator's servant, 40*s.* ; to Nicholas his cousin, 20*s.* ; residue to executors, Robert Wantyngge, r. of Arreton, and m. Nicholas Burghe, r. of Niton. Dated 14 February, 1397–8, and proved at Farnham 27th of following month.

[303 a.] Will of Joan, widow of Nicholas Wodelok, Englished :—

Bequeaths soul to God and body to be buried in chancel of St. Andrew's Owslebury, next husband. To fabric of cathedral church, 12*d.* ; to church of Owslebury, 2*s.* ; to the vicar, 2*s.* 6*d.* ; to the curate, 2*s.* ; to the clerk, 6*d.* ; for expenses on the day of her burial at the discretion of her executors ; to the friars-minors at Winchester, 3*s.* 4*d.* ; to the other three orders, at the discretion of her executors ; to Thomas Hyndschase her servant, 20*s.*, besides the debt that she owes him ; to Colette her maid, 3*s.* 4*d.*

[1] Renewed 1 December, 1398.

and her russet gown, and a veil, together with the little pot (parva olla); to Joan her nurse (nutrix) 3*s.* 4*d.*, and a veil; to Colette junior, 3*s.* 4*d.* and a tunic and veil; to John her cook, 2*s.* and a porker; to all other her servants, 12*d.* each; to Joan Estene her god-daughter, 3*s.* 4*d.* and a veil; to Andrew her clerk, 20*d.*; to John her chaplain, 40*s.* and four quarters of wheat, and if she die before his engagement shall be up, he is to have four hogs (bacones) to retain his services to pray for her soul. To the chaplains of Marwell, 6*s.* 8*d.* Residue to executors, Lady Eleanor de St. Amand, ds. William Tyderle, and ds. John Wegull her chaplain. Dated 7 March, 1397–8, and proved at Farnham, 13 April following.

[303 b.] John Fraunceys and John Ware appointed proctors to pay the bishop's triennial visit to Rome.—London, 1 May, 1398.

Institution of feasts of St. David, St. Chad, and St. Winifred, pursuant to decree of convocation 2 March, 1397–8, namely, St. David, bp. and confessor, whose relics are in St. David's cathedral, on March 1st; St. Chad, bp. and confessor, whose relics are in Lichfield cathedral, on March 2nd; and St. Winifred, virgin, whose relics are in the convent church of St. Thomas the Martyr, Salop, on November 7th[1]; and a levy of a penny in the pound imposed, payable by St. John Baptist's day next. Publication of archbishop's mandate, dated Croydon, 8 March, 1397–8, by circular from Esher, 19 April.

[304 b.] Inrolment of proceedings in Arches court between the rector of Chalton and inhabitants of the hamlets of Idsworth and Dene (Horn Dean), before mm. Thomas Stowe and Adam Usk, who held that the rector was liable by custom to find a chaplain at the chapel of St. Peter, Idsworth, to say mass on Sundays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, and on double feasts throughout the year, and administer the sacraments and other rites (except the burial of the dead) for the inhabitants of these hamlets. Sentence published by bishop at Esher, 1 May, 1398, and confirmed by prior and chapter of Winchester, 3 June following.

[1] St. David and St. Chad retain their days in the Church Kalendar; not so St. Winifred.

[308 a.] Licenses of non-residence:—

Thomas Rok, r. of Limpsfield (vol. i, p. 216), for two years.—Esher, 1 June, 1398.

John Gardynere, r. of Coulsdon (vol. i, p. 52), for one year.—Esher, 2 June.

Valentine Mory, r. of Titsey, for two years.—Esher, 15 June.

Albert Scharffenorpt, r. of Warblington (vol. i, p. 165), for three years, in order to study, at instance of earl of Salisbury.—Waltham, 1 August.

John Folk, r. of Blechingley, for three years, in order to study.—Marwell, 19 Aug.

[309 a.] William Lok, r. of Cliddesden (vol. i, p. 201), for two years.—Wolvesey, 1 Sept.

[308 b.] Licenses for private chapels:—

Thomas Lacy and Joan his wife, for [309 a.] two years.—Esher, 17 June.

Nicholas Valoignes and Elizabeth his wife, during pleasure.—Wolvesey, 7 Nov.

Robert Execue of Southwark, for one year.—10 Dec.

John Pyperwhyte and Joan his wife, for two years.—Esher, 20 Oct.

John Corby, pr. in his own mansion at Wootton during pleasure.—Farnham, 6 Jan., 1398–9.

Richard Esteney and Isabel his wife at Thyddene (Thedden), in parish of Alton, for three years.—Farnham, 16 Jan., 1398–9.

[308 b.] Dispensation from obligation to reside during two years granted to m. William Frye (vol. i, p. 210), r. of Chilton Candover, to study and from obligation to proceed to deacon's orders meanwhile.—13 July, 1398.

Walter Aude licensed to name one or more confessors for himself in cases reserved to bishop.—Waltham, 10 Aug.

John Becles, r. of Clanfield (vol. i, p. 201), appointed sequestrator for the archdeaconry of Winchester.—Waltham, 26 Aug.

[309 a.] Dispensation from Peter, bp. of Aix, the nuncio, to absolve John Andree, pr., of the diocese of Worcester, who had assaulted two other priests of the same diocese—usque et citra sanguinis effusionem absque tamen excessu alio difficili vel enormi manus injecit violentas.—Brentford, 5 Oct.

[309 b.] Certificate of result of search for orders of James Lyme, a friar of the order of preachers. He was ordained acolyte by bp. Stratford on Saturday, 18 December, 1333, and deacon by bp. Orleton on Saturday, 26 March, 1334.—Esher, 12 Feb., 1398–9.

Prior of St. Mary Overy monished not to alienate endowments :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto in Christo filio, priori prioratûs beate Marie de Overee in Suthwerke, nostrorum patronatûs et diocesis, s. g. et b. Quia nonnulli abbates et priores cupiditatis ardore, qui eorum corda violenter inflammat interveniente precio, plus personis propriis quam suis ecclesiis consulentes, terras, tenementa, redditus, et possessiones, jura, patronatus, et ecclesiarum advocaciones multociens vendiderunt ac eciam concesserunt, ex quibus evenit et evenire frequenciùs consuevit, ut in ecclesiis, monasteriis, et prioratibus huiusmodi per huiusmodi vendicaciones et concessiones gravatis numerus eorum, qui ipsis ecclesiis in divinis servire deberent, indebitè minuitur, ac ecclesie, monasteria, et prioratus huiusmodi serviciis debitis defraudantur et mala quamplurima patiuntur, in animarum ipsorum periculum, dictorumque monasteriorum, prioratuum, et ecclesiarum grave prejudicium et scandalum manifestum.

Vosque, ut displicenter accepimus, certa terras, tenementa, redditus, patronatus, et advocaciones ecclesiarum prioratûs beate Marie predicte, in ipsius prioratûs prejudicium non modicum et jacturam, vendere et alienare proponitis imprudenter, offensam sacrorum canonum ac administracionis regularis, notamque infamie dampnabiliter incurrendo.

Ea propter tenore presencium vobis inhibemus et interdicimus expressè, etc.—Farnham, 27 Feb., 1398–9.

[310 a.] Confessors' licenses for the several deaneries renewed, except in deanery of Southampton, where the license was granted to William Nywe, of the friars-minors.—18 Feb., 1398–9.

Letter of license for John de Argentinâ, collector for the emperor of Constantinople against Bajazet [1] :—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis abbatibus, prioribus, archidiaconis, ecclesiarum rectoribus, vicariis perpetuis et eorum capellanis

[1] *Walsingham*, ii, p. 229.

parochialibus, per nostras civitatem et diocesim Wyntoniensem, ubilibet constitutis, s. g. et b. Cum sanctissimus in Christo pater et dominus noster dominus Bonifacius, divinâ providenciâ papa nonus, in subsidium Imperatoris Constantinopolitani ac civitatis sue et omnium Christianorum in partibus orientalibus habitancium concesserit manus adjutrices porrigentibus et predicantibus pro huiusmodi pio opere veram indulgenciam passagii ad Terram Sanctam, et remissionem plenariam omnium peccatorum, prout per bullas apostolicas super hoc concessas pleniùs poterit apparere :—

Nos igitur, animarum subditorum nostrorum saluti prospicere cupientes, vos rogamus et exhortamur in Domino, quatenus cum f. Johannes de Argentinâ, de ordine predicatorum, commissarius in hâc parte specialiter deputatus, ad vos, ecclesias, seu loca vestra declinaverit ex causis premissis, caritatina subsidia petiturus, ipsum f. Johannem transumptum literarum apostolicarum predictarum vobis realiter exhibentem, ad exponendum negocia huiusmodi benivolè admittatis, ac pium opus huiusmodi devotè et ferventer premoneatis pro locis et temporibus oportunis, ut ex hoc indulgenciam in prefatis literis apostolicis contentam valeatis feliciter promereri ; facientes pecunias inde receptas secundum tenorem et effectum literarum apostolicarum predictarum fideliter conservari.

Presentibus usque ad octavas pasche a die date presencium nunc proximò sequentes tantummodo duraturis.—*Ib.*, 2 March.

[310 b.] Excommunication denounced against those who laid violent hands on ds. John Bertone, pr., whilst officiating in the chapel of Aldershot in the parish of Crondall, so severely that his life was despaired of.—Esher, 13 March.

Presentation of m. John Wykeham, licentiate of canon law, to church of Broughton, Oxon.—Southwark, 19 March.

Letter from archbishop of Canterbury, dated Oxford, 14 Feb., 1398–9, publishing a writ to moderate rigour of statute against provisors[1] :—

Ricardus, etc., venerabili in Christo patri Rogero,[2] eâdem

[1] The act, 13 Ric. II, stat. 2, c. 2, 3, for confirming and amending the Statute of Provisors, 25 Ed. III, stat. 6, is here referred to. See also "A Statute of Provision and Premunire," 16 Ric. II, c. 5.

[2] Roger Waldene. He had been elevated to the see of Canterbury on the deprivation of archbp. Arundel.

graciâ archiepiscopo Cantuariensi, tocius Anglie primati, salutem. Licet nuper quoddam statutum in [311 a.] Parliamento nostro apud Westm. anno regni nostri terciodecimo tento contra provisores editum ob honorem Dei et sancte Romane ecclesie, ac propter precipuam affeccionem, quam erga dominum summum pontificem modernum obtinemus, contemplacione eciam venerabilis patris Petri, Aquensis episcopi, apostolice sedis nuncii, quem eò, quod noster est ligeus et magis nobis acceptus, ultra omnes alios pro hâc materiâ in antea prosequentes, uberiùs prosperari affectamus, aliqualiter moderari, ac moderacionem illam, statuto predicto, aut aliis in contrarium ordinatis, non obstantibus, fieri et tolerari a festo concepcionis Beate Marie ultimo preterito usque ad proximum parliamentum nostrum locum tenere et effectum sortiri et gerere volentes, formam et tenorem moderacionis et tolerancie predictarum vobis miserimus brevi nostro vobis inde nuper directo interclusos ;

Mandantes quod inviolabili et inconcussâ observacione moderacionis huiusmodi per tanti temporis spacium tolerande partes vestras, quatenus ad officium vestrum attin et pastorale, adhiberetis solicitas et discretas, et ulteriùs ceteris confratribus, coepiscopis, et suffraganeis vestris Cantuariensis provincie moderacionem predictam, per literas vestras premissorum seriem continentes, in hâc parte debitè conficiendas cum omni celeritate quâ comodè potuissetis, intimaretis et notificaretis ac teneri et observari demandaretis.

Quibusdam tamen certis de causis coram nobis per prefatum episcopum Aquensem expositis et declaratis nos intimè moventibus, moderacionem et toleranciam huiusmodi statuti usque ad festum pasche proximè futurum et abinde usque ad idem festum tunc proximè sequens locum tenere et in omnibus effectum sortiri et gerere volumus.

Et ideo vobis mandamus, quod pro debitâ observacione moderacionis huiusmodi usque ad dictum posterius festum Pasche tolerande partes vestras, quatenus ad officium vestrum pastorale noveritis pertinere, adhibeatis solicitas et discretas, et ulteriùs ceteris confratribus coepiscopis et suffraganeis vestre Cantuariensis provincie moderacionem predictam, cuius tenorem vobis mittimus presentibus interclusum, per literas vestras premissorum seriem continentes in hâc parte debitè conficiendas

cum omni celeritate quâ comodè poteritis intimetis et notificetis, ac teneri et observari demandetis.

Injungentes eisdem ex parte nostrâ, quod singuli eorum huiusmodi moderacionem per literas suas sub formâ, quâ decet, similiter conficiendas aliis prelatis et clero suarum diocesium publicè intimari et notificari, ac teneri et observari facias, sub periculo quod incumbit, priore mandato nostro predicto non obstante.

Teste meipso apud Coventre xvj° die Januarii, anno regni nostri vicesimo secundo.

Tenor verò cedule, de quâ prefertur, sequitur in hec verba :—Quantum ad moderacionem contentorum sub statuto talis, prout sequitur, est domini nostri regis intencio, quod ob honorem Dei et sancte Romane ecclesie, et propter precipuam affeccionem, quam obtinet penes dominum summum pontificem modernum, contemplacione eciam reverendi patris domini Petri, Dei graciâ Aquensis episcopi, apostolice sedis nuncii, quem eò quod suus est ligeus et magis sibi acceptus affectat, ultra omnes alios pro hâc materiâ in antea prosequentes uberiùs prosperari, non obstante statuto vel aliis in contrarium editis tolerabit usque ad proximum Parliamentum, prout inferiùs est inscriptum.

Imprimis videlicet, quantum ad dignitates episcopales, cum vacaverint, expectato congruo tempore, pro eleccionum in Curiâ representacione, summus pontifex provideat electo si rex pro eo scripserit, vel alteri domini nostri regis ligeo sibi grato et accepto.

Item quantum ad provisionem in cathedralibus et collegiatis ecclesiis provideat summus pontifex cardinalibus vel aliis Anglicis de tribus deceterò vacaturis in singulis ecclesiis supradictis sub hâc formâ, quod post provisionem unam auctoritate papali habeat ordinarius secundam, et sic vicissim, quousque per sedem apostolicam facta sit in tribus provisio : in reliquis autem vacaturis penes ordinarium remanebit collacio. Set tamen ds. cardinalis non providebit de dignitatibus electivis quibuscunque, nec principalibus in collegiatis vel aliquibus beneficiis curatis seu residenciam vel personale administracionis exercicium de jure vel consuetudine requirentibus. Aliquibus tamen alienigenis nisi cardinalibus infra regnum nullatenus providebitur.

Item, quantum ad provisiones de collacionibus ordinariorum vel aliorum spiritualium patronorum extra ecclesias metropoli-

ticas, cathedrales, et summus pontifex de beneficiis deceterò vacaturis habeat provisiones de primo vacaturo, et ordinarius vel patronus spiritualis de secundo vacaturo ; et sic fiet vicissim, usque ad festum Pasche proximè futurum et abinde usque ad idem festum tunc proximè sequens. Ista tamen tolerancia, quantum ad provisiones per sedem apostolicam faciendas in beneficiis post datam presencium vacaturis tantummodo locum obtinebit, titulis et possessione antea obtinencium in omnibus semper salvis.

[311 b.] Mandate directed to archdeacon of Winchester to collect pentecostals for the sacrist of Winchester Cathedral "que cunctarum aliarum ecclesiarum civitatis et diocesis predictarum mater esse dinoscitur et magistra, in signum prioritatis, reverencie, et honoris, ac propter parochianorum nostrorum visitacionem annuam ecclesie nostre predicte debitam . . . colligere integrè consuerunt, ac sic realiter collegerunt, ipsamque prestacionem annuam sic collectam in singulis festis Pentecoste annis singulis ipsius ecclesie nostre sacriste persolverunt."—Farnham, 27 March, 1399.

[312 a.] Dispensation from the obligation of residence for two years granted to r. of Clatford, William Rychemonde (vol. i, p. 202), to study.—Southwark, 18 April.

Dimissory for John Bullen, subdeacon, *ut a quocunque*, etc.—Esher, 20 April.

Henry, bp. of Annadown, appointed suffragan till 1 Nov., 1399 :—

Venerabili in Christo patri domino Henrico, Enachdunensi episcopo, Willelmus, etc., salutem, etc. Quia nos circa domini nostri regis et regni negocia multipliciter occupati officium nostrum pastorale in nostrâ diocesi usquequâque impendere non valemus, de vestre circumspeccionis industriâ, consciencie puritate, et providâ discrecione plenam in Domino fiduciam obtinentes ; ad predicandum igitur quibuscunque subditis nostris verbum Dei, et ad audiendum confessiones eorum in foro anime vobis confiteri volencium, penitenciasque salutares eisdem pro commissis injungendum, ac ipsos a peccatis suis, que vobis confitebuntur, eciam in casibus nobis specialiter reservatis, debitè absolvendum, casibus violacionis jurium, libertatum, et immunitatum nostre

ecclesie Wynton. fraccionisque parcorum et warennarum nostrorum, capcionis piscium in piscariis sive rivariis nostris dumtaxat exceptis, ac ecclesiis, cimeteriis, et altaribus dicte nostre diocesis reconciliacionis jurium, quociens opus fuerit, impendendum, vestimenta, calices, et alia ornamenta ecclesiastica benedicendum, sacramentum confirmacionis, et primam tonsuram personis ad hoc ydoneis, dumtamen eis nichil obviet de canonicis institutis, eciam conferendum, ceteraque omnia et singula, que in premissis, vel circa premissa, necessaria fuerint vel quomodolibet oportuna, debitè peragenda, canonicè exercendum et fideliter expediendum, vobis vices nostras committimus per presentes, ad primum diem mensis Novembris proximi post datam presencium tantummodò duraturas.[1]—Esher, 5 May, 1399.

[**312 b.**] Grant in *commendam* of vicarage of Nutley to ds. Walter Suell, pr., ds. Richard Morys the vicar being absent without license.—Farnham, 5 Sept., 1398.

Commission, dated Esher, 14 May, 1399, to prior of Winchester cathedral, abbot of Hyde, and m. John Elmere, the official, or any two of them, to administer to clergy of archdeaconry of Winchester the same oath which had been taken by the mayor, aldermen, and citizens of London, to observe and keep the statutes and ordinances made in the last parliament at Westminster, adjourned to Salop and then to Coventry, pursuant to writ in that behalf, dated at Westminster, 8 Feb., 22 Ric. II.

The form of oath of the Londoners :—

A tresexcellente mageste de notre tresredoute et tressoverain seignour le Roy Richard, puis le conqueste secounde: nous voz humblez et loialx lieges des corps et des cuers de votre citee de Londres avons, et chescun de nous ad tres bien entenduz, coment voz lieges de votre roialme pur la greindre partie ont sicome a eux apartient a toute obeissance et humilitee jurez, promys, et reconuz sous lour faitz seallez de severalment et generalment tenir toutz les estatutz, ordinances, et establissementz faitz, ordeignez, et establiz en votre honurable parlement darrein tenuz a Westm., continuez a Salopbire, ove toutz les jugementz et ordeinances faitz et renduz a Coventre, per vertue et auctorite du dit parlement, sicome en lour submissions, obeissances,

[1] Renewed 1 March, 1400-1.

promesses, et reconisances est assez clerement contenuz. Sur quoy nous vos susditz humblez lieges qi a votre tresexcellente mageste roiale volons et vorrons a toutz iours faire loialment de chescontz noz poaires tout qanq a y celle mageste purra en ascune manere faire plesance les ditz estatutz, ordeinances et establissementz ove les dependences et qanq eut purra suir pur nous et pur noz heires et successours devrons et devons sumez tenuz et serrons volons et vouldrons tenir et estre tenuz per toutz iours sanz iammes venir ne faire ne suffrer estre fait pur ascune persone de quelle condiçon ou estat qil soit ascunement alencontre en nulle guise; et si ascun y soit, q Dieu defende, quattempte, face attempter, ou veuille attempter, ou faire au contraire, en tout ou en partie, nous le serrons, et chescun de nous le serra impedier, destourbier, et empescher ove toutz noz corps et biens, pur vivre et pur morir, et de tout ceo q impedier ne destourbier ne purrons, le serrons sanz delay ascun a notifier et ascerteiner a votre dite mageste roiale. Et a ceo fermement et loialment tenir pur nous et pur noz heires et successours a toutz iours, nous Dreu Barentyn, mair, aldermans, citezeins, et comunes de votre dite citee promettons et jurons sur les seintz evangelies, et chescun de nous promette, fait foy et jure, et pur greindre seurte a icestes presentz lettres mettons noz sealx, en tesmoignance de noz faitz et de la verite.

[313 a.] Similar commission to abbot of Chertsey, prior of Merton, and the archdeacon, for archdeaconry of Surrey.

Dimissory for Richard Gatyn and John Sley, having the first tonsure; *ut ad omnes ordines tam minores quam sacros*, etc.—Southwark, 21 June, 1399.

Commission to Henry, bp. of Annadown, ad dedicandum cancellum ecclesie parochialis de Farnham, nostre diocesis, et magnum altare in eodem de novo constructum, et cetera altaria in eâdem ecclesiâ existencia, si quâ dedicacione indigeant, vestre paternitati liberam tenore presencium concedimus facultatem.[1]—Esher, 24 June.

Memorandum that on the first day of April, 1399, in the principal chamber at Farnham castle, the bishop appointed Robert Ketene, bachelor of civil and canon law, his chancellor, and delivered to him his great seal.

[1] See p. 67.

[313 b.] Ketene's commission (see form, p. 24).—Same date.

Mandate directed to prior of Winchester and archdeacons for prayers "ut pater misericordiarum pro suâ pietate ipsum regem ducat et dirigat per suorum semitas mandatorum, et statum ecclesie, regis, regni, et procerum ipsius conservare dignetur tutum, prosperum, et tranquillum; with grant of forty days indulgence.—Farnham, 19 July, 1399.[1]

License to r. of St. John's in the Soke, Winchester, to get the church reconciled by any bishop of the Catholic Church after pollution by bloodshed.—*Ib.*, 26 July.

License to administer sacraments for a year and a day in church of St. Helen's, Isle of Wight, granted to Hugh Borsey, prior of St. Helen's, the vicarage being too poor to support a vicar or curate.—Southwark, 21 June.

[329 a.] Renewed, Farnham, 7 Dec., 1400.

Summons to parliament at Westminster on the morrow of St. Michael's, pursuant to writ dated at Chester, 19 August,[2] issued at Farnham, 9 Sept.

[314 a.] License of non-residence for half a year on usual conditions granted to John Dryll (vol. i, p. 201), v. of Portsea.—*Ib.*, 22 Sept.

[314 b.] Summons to convocation at St. Paul's on 6 Oct., issued by prior of Canterbury, 3 September (the see of Canterbury being vacant by the deposition of Roger Waldene), "pro utilitate reipublice, tuicione jurium et libertatum ecclesie atque regni, novis emergentibus negociis."—Farnham, 23 Sept., 1399.

[315 a.] A letter of licence for collectors for the hospital "beatissime Virginis Marie de Rouncivall juxta Charrynge Cros," and forty days' indulgence for subscribers to the building fund.—Southwark, 12 Nov.

Grant to John Ayllesbury, one of the brethren of St. Thomas

[1] Henry of Lancaster had landed at Ravenspur on the 4th of this month.

[2] The writ is in common form, "de advisamento consilii nostri pro quibusdam arduis et urgentibus negociis nos, statum, et defensionem regni nostri Anglie ac ecclesie Anglicane contingentibus," but in fact Richard was in the hands of the earl of Northumberland, and offered to resign the crown this very day.—*Walsingham*, ii, 234.

the Martyr's Hospital, Southwark, of the custody of the priory, the prior, Henry Grygg (vol. i, p. 185), having absconded "clam temere discesserit, ac se, ut dicitur, ad partes transtulerit ultramarinas quamplurimum remotas."—*Ib.*, 30 Oct., 1399.

Archbishop's [1] mandate for prayers to be said for King Henry IV, dated Lambeth, 16 October, 1399, which begins, Inter alias occupacionum curas, quibus more fluctuantis pelagi pro salubri ecclesie et reipublice statu noster spiritus cotidie fatigatur, occurrit nostre mentis obtutibus cogitacione potissimâ, qualiter, hoste pacis abolim angulos huiusmodi regni turbacionum malleis impetente, status ipsius pacificus corrupcionis vulnera pertulit, et in multorum precordiis, succensis odiorum fastibus, quies periit, et heu ! quondam in sublimium personarum et rerum dispendia multipharié surrepsit dissencio intestina ; quia dum mole rapacitatis conteruntur ecclesie, dum Crucifixi conculcatur hereditas, dum Deus ipse in ministris contempnitur, dum favores et merita judicia recta prevertunt, dum eciam aratur in bove et asino, ac probatis viris preferendo preferuntur persone in eminenciâ regiminis spiritualis, ac dum de calice babilonie deceptivâ adulacio propinatur, et dum populus Domini processuris inauditis opprimitur, quasi ubique deficiente justiciâ indefessis tribulacionum erumpnis Anglicanam provinciam contigit sauciari.

Set quia ex hiis et aliis pululantibus inconvenienciarum periculis et phaleratis undique imposturis finalis extiminii minabatur ruina, ac pro confusionis tedio tepuit fidelium devocio, necnon cultus Divini nominis, percusso pacis stimulo, traditus est neglectui et longè credebatur status omnium a salute, tunc eterni prudenciâ Judicis, de cuius vultu recta judicia prodeunt, et ocli eius respiciunt veritatem, ad extollenda justorum preconia et reprimendas insolencias transgressorum illustrissimum in Christo principem dominum Henricum, Dei graciâ regem nostrum, velut alterum Machabeum, condignè super gentes et regna erigendo provexit, ut ambulet coram Eo in corde, profectò ad plebis sue regiminis recti propositum, ac conculcatis viciorum vepribus cum sanctimoniâ et justiciâ ; ad dandam scienciam in salutem spiritualis consilii et fortitudinis numeretur. Cum igitur Rex ipse, sicut ab experimento cognovimus, omnes actus suos sub

[1] Thomas Arundel, who had been recalled from the see of St. Andrew's by the pope, 28 Sept., 1399. See bull, *post*.

timore Altissimi et ipsius censure nodo summe cohibere disponat, ac pro tuicione ecclesie et utilitate communi, si res exigat, requiem pro labore, securitatem pro periculis, eciam pro morte vitam ac dilicias pro angustiis commutare, fraternitati vestre requirimus et rogamus, quatenus, etc.—prayers enjoined in common form, quod Rex ipse de bono in melius gracie sue plenitudinem prosequatur, ut dexterâ ipsius secum faciente virtutem mereatur de insultantibus inimicis in fortitudine brachii triumphare, fugiatque suis temporibus de medio nostrûm caligo criminum, et nebula peccatorum, que contexit adhuc orbem terre, ac letetur continuè in felici prosperitate successuum directus ubique feliciter per suorum semitam mandatorum, valeatque ab innocencium sanguine servare manus innoxias, ac semper in irâ misericordiam continere.

[**316 a.**] Letter of license for collectors on behalf of the hospitals of Holy Trinity Almifica, and St. Thomas the Martyr, Rome; with promise of forty days indulgence.—Southwark, 3 Nov., 1399.

Excommunication of Ralph Cokeman of Twynham for the offence of laying violent hands on ds. Henry Ekyntone, chaplain of Middleton (Milton), while officiating there, suspended on condition of his seeking absolution at the Roman Court before Michaelmas[1]; else to appear before the bishop within fifteen days after to shew cause why he should not be excommunicated. —*Ib.*, 6 Nov.

Appointment of m. John Tyssebury as proctor for the bishop in the Arches Court.—*Ib.*, 14 Nov.

[**316 b.**] MM. John Wykeham and Walter Cook, treasurer of St. Paul's, named proctors to pay the bishop's triennial visit to the Roman Court.—London, 26 Nov.

Bull of Boniface IX, restoring Arundel to see of Canterbury:

Bonifacius episcopus, servus servorum Dei, ad futuram rei memoriam. Dudum ecclesiâ sancti Andree tunc vacante nos venerabilem fratrem nostrum Thomam, Cantuariensem episcopum, a vinculo quo Cantuariensi ecclesie, cui tunc preerat, tenebatur, de fratrum nostrorum consilio et apostolice potestatis plenitudine absolventes, ipsum ad dictam ecclesiam S. Andree

[1] Afterwards extended to the Purification.

auctoritate apostolicâ duximus transferendum ; ac deinde de personâ venerabilis fratris nostri Rogeri episcopi, tunc decani ecclesie Eboracensis, eidem Cantuariensi ecclesie dictâ auctoritate providimus, ipsumque illi prefecimus in archiepiscopum et pastorem. Verùm quia postmodùm pro parte ipsius Thome archiepiscopi qui pro tempore absolucionis et translacionis huiusmodi a Romanâ curiâ absens erat, nobis extitit intimatum, quod ipse ex certis racionabilibus causis huiusmodi translacionem de se, ut premittitur, tunc facte non consenserat nec consentire aliquatenus intendebat, prout non intendit, set prediligebat et prediligit in eâdem ecclesiâ Cantuariensi remanere.

Nos super premissis providere volentes, predictâ auctoritate tenore presencium declaramus nostre intencionis non fuisse nec esse dictum Thomam transferre invitum ; ac volumus et eâdem auctoritate decernimus, quod huiusmodi absolucio et translacio nullius existant roboris vel momenti, quodque idem Thomas archiepiscopus prefatus Cantuariensem ecclesiam proinde regat et gubernet, ac si absolucio et translacio predicte facte minimè extitissent, necnon irritum et inane quicquid occasione premissorum contra tenorem presencium a quoquam quâvis auctoritate, scienter vel ignoranter, attemptatum forsan est hactenus, vel imposterùm contigerit attemptari.

Nulli ergo omnino hominum liceat hanc paginam nostre declaracionis, voluntatis, et constitucionis infringere, vel ei ausu temerario contraire : siquis autem hec attemptare presumpserit, indignacionem Omnipotentis Dei et beatorum Petri et Pauli apostolorum eius se noverit intercursurum.

Romae, apud S. Petrum, iiij° Kal. Octob. pontificatûs nostri anno decimo.

[317 a.] Spiritual affinity a bar to marriage.

Citation of Peter Boteller of Tichfield, and Joan Hoyvyle, relict of John Hoyvyle of the same place, for intermarrying, when they were cognacione spirituali, videlicet compaternitate et commaternitate adinvicem notoriè conjuncti ; and ds. Thomas Hamwell, pr., cited for marrying them in the chapel of Whipstrode,[1] after notice of the impediment.—Southwark, 28 Nov.

Commission to John Tynchewyke, r. of Stoke near Guildford, John Wyllersey, r. of St. Mary's, Guildford, and John David,

[1] See vol. i, p. 27.

r. of Holy Trinity, Guildford, to claim clerks incarcerate in Guildford gaol.—Waltham 20 Dec., 1399.

Licence granted to Thomas Pykeworthe and Joan his wife to hear divine service performed in the oratory of their mansion at Southwark, during pleasure.—Same date.

Mandate to John Compton, r. of Godalming, to collect pensions in arrear :—

Archidiaconate of Surrey, one year, £13. 6*s*. 8*d*.; Leatherhead, 20*s*.; Witley, 6*s*. 8*d*.; Dorking, 25 years at 20*s*., £25.

John Batour, r. of Shirbourne St. John, to collect :—

Archidiaconate of Winchester, 10 years at £20., 200*l*.; Kingsclere, 4 years at 53*s*. 4*d*., £10. 13*s*. 4*d*.; Newton Valence, 3 years, 15*s*.; Hursley, 25 years at 13*s*. 4*d*., £16. 13*s*. 4*d*.

Waltham, 8 Jan., 1399–1400.

Circular enjoining prayers for peace, and tranquillity of the church, the king, the realm, and the people of England, in common form.—Same date.

Dimissory for Edward Uptone, clk., *ad omnes ordines tam minores quam sacros.*—Southwark, 20 Dec., 1399.

[317b.] Letter from Lewis, bp. of Volterra, papal nuncio and collector, to the bishop, enjoining him to cite the following persons for non-payment of papal dues, namely :—

Archdeacon of Winchester, Peter pence for 1389 and following years.

Archdeacon of Surrey, Peter pence of 1395, 1397, 1398, 1399.

John Mey, of Alton, executors of priors of Christchurch Twynham, St. Mary Overy, Southwark, Newark, and Mottisfont, and abbess of St. Mary's abbey, Winchester, procurations for 1397, 1398, and 1399.

Prior of St. Denys and abbess of Wherwell, procurations for 1398 and 1399.

Priors of Merton and Breamore, abbess of Romsey, and prior of Tandridge, procurations for 1399.

Abbot of Tichfield, procurations for years 1395, 1396, 1397, and 1398.

Abbots of Hyde and Beaulieu, prior and chapter of Winchester cathedral, and abbot of Bermondsey, procurations for years 1395, 1396, 1397, and 1398.

Abbot of Bermondsey, many years procurations on priory of Lewisham while in his possession.

Farmer of Wydeleghe (Widley), for first fruits due *causâ provisionis.*

Abbots of Chertsey and Quarr, and priors of Selborne, Southwick, Shirbourne, and Andover, procurations for the years 1393 to 1398 inclusive.

Abbots of Waverley and Netley and prior of Carisbrooke, procurations from the year 1391.

The bishop to return a list of churches appropriate, distinguishing those of which the appropriation has taken effect, and to state whether the church of Kingsclere is or ought to be appropriate to Bisham priory.

Receipt of above mandate acknowledged at Southwark, 29 Oct., 1399.

Return, dated Waltham, 23 March, 1399–1400:—

Archdeacon of Winchester has been monished. Archdeacon of Surrey is dead; John Newe and John Saunder are his executors, but they have not been cited, because they could not be found. John Mey's estate is unrepresented. Priors of St. Mary Overy, Southwark, Newark, Merton, and Tandridge have paid their arrears. Priors of Christchurch Twynham and Mottisfont and abbess of St. Mary's abbey have been cited, and are under sequestration; so are the prior of Breamore and the abbess of Romsey. Abbots of Tichfield and Hyde and prior and chapter of Winchester say that they have paid, but are cited and under sequestration. Abbots of Beaulieu and Bermondsey have been excommunicated and are under sequestration. Abbot of Bermondsey as occupant of the priory of Lewisham has been cited. Farmer of Widley church has been cited. Abbot of Quarr, priors of Selborne, Southwick, Shirbourne St. John, and Andover, and abbots of Waverley and Netley, and prior of Carisbrooke have been excommunicated. Abbot of Chertsey has paid.

The only church appropriated since the accession of Urban VI is Croydon, and that is appropriated to the priory of Bermondsey. Prior of Bisham occupies church of Kingsclere of right, it being appropriated to Bisham priory.

[318 a.] Brief granting forty days indulgence to any who shall give of their means to Thomas Bonale, of the parish of Ynge St. Margaret's, for the repair of the highway between Ynge atte Stone (Ingatestone) and Chelmsford.—Southwark, 4 Oct., 1399.

[318 b.] Sequestration of goods of Roger Donemowe, a parishioner of Ash, Surrey, an intestate, granted to Simon, v. of Farnham, and Edmund Rokesbury of Ash.—*Ib.*, 27 Nov., 1399.

Administration of Donemowe's goods granted to them.—Esher, 8 Feb., 1399–1400.

Re-appointment of penitancers (p. 477) for the diocese.—Waltham, 3 Feb., 1399–1400.

John Chertsey, of the friars-preachers' house at Guildford, appointed penitancer for one year.—*Ib.*, 26 Feb.

Publication of circular from archbp. Arundel, promising forty days indulgence to such as repeat the Lord's Prayer and Hail Mary five times when the bell sounds at break of day:—

Thomas, permissione divinâ archiepiscopus, etc. Dum levamus oculos in circuitu, et intente perspicacitatis acie contemplamur, qualiter *Verbum Supremum, quod erat in principio apud Deum*, elegit sibi sanctam et immaculatam ex clarâ stirpe regiâ Virginem, in cuius utero mistico spiramine veram carnem suscipiens, ut dampnacionis summam, quam per creatum hominem generis humani posteritas incurrisse videbatur, clemens Filii increati bonitas aboleret, inter cultores vinee domini Sabaoth Deo salvatori nostro psallimus profusis in eo gaudiis; solicitè cogitantes, quod licet cuncti religionis Christiane populi tantam Virginem, ubi suscepimus nostre redempcionis nuncia, ubi primò dies sanctificatûs illuxit, qui nobis spem tribuit de salute, laudum extollerent vocibus, et ad eius reverenciam traherentur, que Dei Filium, celi Regem, Redemptorem et Salvatorem gencium, beata Virgo concepit, ministrans lucem populis sub mortis caligine miserabiliter obvolutis.

Nos quidem, velut proprie sue hereditatis famuli, ac peculiaris dotis ascripticii, utpote comuni comprobamur eloquio, vigilanciùs pro ceteris ipsius laudibus nostre decet devocionis molimenta exhibere, que nobis et nostratibus hactenus ingenti pietate propiciâ fortitudinis nostre nacionis potenciam, quasi ubique diffusam per mundi climata, victorioso brachio terrere voluit exteras naciones, ut sic sue proteccionis clipeo nostra undique munita potestas sibi votivâ subjeccione propinquas remotasque provincias signis victricibus inclinabat, sicque nostrâ felicitate

preteritis aucta temporibus solummodo attribuit sue mediacionis auxilio, cui novissimè temporibus istis meritò eciam ascribere possumus felicem liberacionem nostram sub manu potenti [319 a.] Christianissimi regis nostri a luporum morsibus et faucibus bestiarum, que super dorsum nostrum ferculum felle mixtam preparaverunt, et odio iniquo nos oderant, nobis pro dileccione nostrâ statuentes insidias in obscuro.

Unde ut Ipsa excelsa residens ante tronum Divini culminis nostrûm omnium defensatrix, singulorum magnificata laudibus, affluentis verba gracie filiis adopcionis uberiùs exhibeat, in agendis ad ipsius domini nostri regis specialis devocionis rogatum, fraternitati vestre firmiter injungendo mandamus, quatenus vestrarum civitatis et diocesis ac ceterorum suffraganeorum nostrorum subditis dominam nostram, Dei genitricem Mariam, nostramque patronam et semper protectricem in adversis, consimili oracionis et precis instinctu ac consuete pulsacionis formâ, quibus ad ignitegii pulsacionem devocio Christi fidelium venerari consuevit eandem, quando ante diem in aurorâ pulsatur, procuretis pari oracionis et pulsacionis modo per vos et prefatos suffraganeos nostros, ac vestros et eorum subditos, tam religiosos quam seculares, in vestris et eorum monasteriis ac ecclesiis, collegiatis et parochialibus, ubique devociùs honorare, ut Patris Eterni clemenciam sic orando suppliciter dextera celestis pietatis clementer adveniat in proteccionis et defensionis subsidium eiusdem domini nostri regis, qui pro quietis optate remedio ac nostro succursu a fluctuacionibus tempestatum paratus est manus ad operas et plenis studiis oculos ad vigilias deputare. Grant of forty days' indulgence.—Lambeth, 10 Feb., 1399–1400.

Deputation of William Staunton, of Bray, as bailiff of the bishop's manors of Wargrave, Waltham St. Laurence, West Wycombe, and Ivinghoe, and any other manors in counties of Berks and Bucks.—Southwark, 17 Feb.

Mandate directed to archdeacon of Winchester to monish non-resident clergy.—Waltham, 1 March.

[319 b.] Licenses to hear divine service in their private chapels granted to Henry Yveley and Katherine his wife, at Southwark, and Maud relict of John Waryn, at Fordingbridge.—Southwark, 19 Feb. and 23 March.

Thomas, r. of St. George's, Southwark, licensed to officiate in the chapel at the Marshalsea (infra prisonam marescalcie banci Domini regis).—*Ib.*, 25 March, 1400.

Thomas, v. of Wymering, licensed to officiate in chancel until Michaelmas next.[1]—Wolvesey, 15 April.

Abbess of Wherwell enjoined to receive Katherine Faukener, a nun who had run away, "quia ecclesia nemini debet claudere gremium redeunti sub spe firmâ penitencie fructuose."[2]—Wolvesey, 12 April.

Deputation of Thomas Chelrey to be steward of all the bishop's manors.—*Ib.*, 21 April.

Dimissory letters, dated at Farnham, 5 Feb., 1399—1400, for John Grove to deacon's orders; at Southwark, 20 Feb., for James Pagham, a friar of St. Thomas' hospital, Southwark, *ad omnes*; and at Wolvesey, 13 April, 1400, for said John Grove, to priest's orders.

Licence to marry at the chapel of the manor of Burpham in the parish of Worplesdon, after publication of banns, granted to John Watertone and Joan, relict of Thomas Wyntreshulle.—Farnham, 24 April.

[320 a.] Grant to John Crambourne of a void plot called "Vyneter's" in Farnham and an acre and a half with the appurtenances in Cobgate field, which bp. Edyndone had recovered in an action of novel disseisin against Thomas Sendale, to hold to the said John Crambourne, his heirs and assigns for ever, rendering to the bishop and his successors at Farnham Castle the yearly rent of 6*s.* 4*d.* in equal portions at Easter and Michaelmas.—Waltham, 29 March, 1 Hen. IV.

Demise by the bishop to Nicholas Kerby *pro suo laudabili servicio* of a messuage with a curtilage in Kyngatestrete in the Soke of Winchester, formerly Richard Wolmongere's, and situate on the west side of that street, between the passage (venella) leading to St. Michael's church on the south, and Anthony Saultone's tenements on the north, and bounded by the

[1] It had been rebuilt from the ground and was not yet consecrated.
[2] See p. 114.

rector of St. Michael's garden on the west[1]; also three cottages under one roof with a curtilage in Kyngatestrete aforesaid, bounded by the messuage of Peter atte Nasshe on the north, the messuage of John Wynt on the south and John Heywode's garden on the west[2]; also a void plot with a curtilage on the north side of the lane called *Paylardes-twychene*[3] having a void plot formerly belonging to Simon Page on the west, and a void plot formerly belonging to Robert Gardynere on the east, and the wet ditch without Kingsgate (aquam currentem extra Kyngate) on the north,[4] to have and to hold to the said Nicholas, his heirs *(sic)* and assigns, of the bishop and his successors, for the term of fifty years, rendering to them the due and accustomed rents and services. And the said Nicholas agreed to repair maintain and uphold the said messuage and cottages at his own cost throughout the term.—Wolvesey, Thursday before Easter, 1 Hen. IV.

License of non-residence granted to r. of Fetcham (vol. i, p. 199) until next Michaelmas year, to study, with liberty to let the parsonage.—Esher, 2 May, 1400.

Deputation of suffragan (Henry, bp. of Annadown) renewed until 1st November.—Southwark, 9 May.

[320 b.] Licenses of non-residence :—

For seven years, granted by Boniface IX to John Folke, r. of Bletchingley (vol. i, p. 210), for the purpose of study and in order to be in attendance on William Lambrook; exhibited at Southwark, 11 May, 1400.

For two years, granted 13 May to Thomas Feriby, r. of Fordingbridge (vol. i, p. 192).

[1] Thirty years ago the Crown inn. It was acquired by Winchester College in 1872, and is the site of the choir-school. Antony Saultone was also the owner of two tenements in College Street, one of which he sold to Thomas Lavyngton, who resold it to the bishop in October, 1382.

[2] The exact situation of these cottages cannot be identified. [3] Now Canon Street.

[4] Nicholas Kerby built three cottages on this plot, and bequeathed them to his daughter Alice, who married one Byngham, whom she survived. By will, dated 31 Jan., 1432–3, she bequeathed the house in Kingsgate Street, which she inhabited, to her executors, Richard Bone and Philip Costard, to be sold *ad pios usus*, and her tenement in Kingsgate Street having Flemynges Lane on the north and Thomas Compton's tenement on the south, her tenement in Cheesehill Street, her messuage and two cottages in Paillardstwychen Lane and the five cottages there, situate between John Spencer's tenement on the north and the messuage of the Friars and Kalendars on the south, all which her father had by grant of Wykeham, a plot of ground there which he held of the abbot of Waverley, and other property, to be sold for the like purpose. This will was proved at Winchester, 18 Feb., 1432–3.

For one year, granted 17 May to John Appultone, r. of Chipstead (vol. i, p. 203), in order to be in attendance on Tideman, bp. of Worcester.

For two years, granted same day to William Frye, r. of Chilton Candover (vol. i, p. 210).

Presentation of John Tuynge, r. of Tubbeney (Tubney), dio. Sarum, to a chaplaincy in the chantry in St. Laurence Pultneye church, London, namely, the second stall on the north side, on exchange with John Jakman, *alias* Bury.—Southwark, 17 May.

License granted to Edith Gryffyth, prioress of St. John Baptist's, Holywell, to hear divine service in the oratory within her mansion at Camberwell or elsewhere in the diocese, during the next two years.—Esher, 25 May, 1400.

Commission to dean of Droxford, r. of Rowner, and r. of Fareham, to inhibit William Cake, pr., who, notwithstanding the interdict (p. 283), celebrates divine service in the chapel at Hook, before crowds assembled by the ringing of the bell.—*Ib.*, 31 May.

[321 a.] Citation of m. John Carles, prior of Sandon hospital (vol. i, p. 180), to show cause why he should not exhibit an inventory.—*Ib.*, 15 June.

Sequestration of the rectory of Crondall for dilapidations of the buildings and chancels of the chapels of Aldershot, Sutton, and Yately.—*Ib.*, 31 May.

Circular from bp. of London, reciting primate's mandate for prayers for the king's expedition to Scotland[1] and against the prevailing sickness, with grant of forty days' indulgence.—Hadham, 16 June.

License of non residence granted to Nicholas, r. of Compton, Surrey (vol. i, p. 194), on the service of Sir Thomas Ponynges, lord St. John.—Waltham, 16 July.

Commission issued to assess dilapidations and sequestrate the goods of the late r. of Fetcham, on the complaint of Henry Hyde, his successor (vol. i, p. 227), that the buildings were left dilapidated and the books and ornaments in bad order.—*Ib.*, 26 July.

[1] This expedition was undertaken in order to punish the Scots, who had invaded England a few months before during the absence of the northern lords at Parliament.—*Wals.* ii, 246.

[322 a.] John Melton[1] was indicted for stealing at Hursley on the Tuesday before St. John at the Latin Gate (6 May), 20 Ric. II, thirteen pieces of cloth, value £7, and claiming the privilege, was committed to the bishop's prison. Commission to archdeacon of Winchester to hold an inquiry and order the usual proclamations to be made.—*Ib.*, 8 August, 1400.

[331 b.] The usual proclamations were made, and no opposers appearing, the bishop (Farnham, 11 Jan., 1400–1) granted a commission to the abbot of Hyde, John Elmere, the official, and John Hulyn, provost of St. Elizabeth's, to take measures for Melton's purgation.

[322 a.] Commission to Henry, bp. of Annadown, to receive nuns at St. Mary's abbey, Winchester, on the Sunday next after the Nativity of the Virgin Mary, and at Romsey abbey on the Sunday next after the Exaltation of the Holy Cross; also to receive the vow of Elizabeth, relict of John Forster of Romsey, and deliver to her the veil and ring of chastity.—*Ib.*, 4 September.

Commission to same to dedicate the chancel of Bentley and high altar, which had been rebuilt, and the other altars if necessary.—*Ib.*, 6 September.

[322 b.] Commission, dated Waltham, 30 August, to dean of Sombourn and v. of Romsey to cite r. of Mitchelmersh to return into residence within fifteen days, and on his failing to do so, to sequestrate the benefice to the extent necessary to provide for the performance of divine service. Return that the r. could not be found, being, as was reported, in the diocese of Bath and Wells, and that they had sequestrated the fruits of the benefice for £20.—Romsey, 26 Sept.

Commission to John Batour, r. of Shirbourne St. John, to enforce payment of sundry pensions in arrear.—Waltham, 16 August.

[323 a.] Similar commission to v. of Godalming touching arrears on archidiaconate of Surrey and churches of Leatherhead, Witley, and Dorking.—Same date.

[1] It has been thought that this was John Melton, warden of Magdalen Hospital (vol. i, p. 190), and schoolmaster of Winchester College until Michaelmas, 1394, when he was succeeded by Thomas Romeseye. Evidence of identity is wanting. The visitors of Magdalen Hospital were empowered three months later [329 a] to remove Melton, but no reason is assigned.

Convention between the bishop and the prior of St. Swithun, pursuant to an award of archbp. Waldene. The prior and convent agree :—

To deliver the full tale of bread and wine when the bishop is at Wolvesey.

That disputes between their respective tenants shall be tried in the bishop's or prior's court and not in the king's court.

That the prior and convent shall maintain the bridges in their manor of Barton, the bridge over the Lockburn in College street, and a moiety of the bridge over the river there.[1]

Prior and convent to place a grating across the Lockburn, where it issues from the Close, to keep refuse from coming down.

Prior and convent not to feed sheep or take rabbits in the bishop's chace and warren east of Winchester.

Prior and convent to maintain a hedge and ditch between their manor of Whitchurch and the bishop's manor of Henley.[2]

Bishop's tenants at Highclere, Ashmansworth, and East Woodhay not to be required to attend courts of the prior's manor of Whitchurch.

Prior and convent to do homage to the bishop for estates held of him by knight service or grand serjeanty :—

Hoc presens scriptum indentatum, factum inter reverendum etc., ex parte unâ ac venerabilem et religiosum virum f. Thomam Nevyle, priorem prioratûs ecclesie cathedralis Wyntoniensis, et eiusdem loci conventum de eorundem prioris et conventûs concordiâ, assensu, et voluntate unanimi ex parte alterâ, testatur, quod cum inter partes predictas occasione subtraccionis, occupacionis, et detencionis quorumdam jurium, consuetudinum, reddituum, serviciorum, proficuorum, libertatum, et aliarum rerum eidem domino episcopo, et ad mensam et porcionem suam episcopalem ab antiquo pertinencium et pertinere debencium infuturum, usurpacionumque, transgressionum et injuriarum quamplurium factarum prefato domino episcopo inferiùs articulariter descriptorum, suborta fuisset gravis dissencio et materia questionis ; tandem inter partes predictas ex assensu, concordiâ

[1] This bridge was of timber, and the bishop maintained the other moiety. It has for many years been maintained by the inhabitants at large.

[2] Cold Henley, two miles north of Whitchurch.

et voluntate predictis post diversos et quamplurimos tractatus habitos in hâc parte cum deliberacione providâ et maturâ in presenciâ reverendissimi in Christo patris et domini domini Rogeri, Dei graciâ Cantuariensis episcopi, tocius Anglie primatis, et apostolice sedis legati, de et super omnibus articulis superiùs memoratis ac inferiùs pleniùs descriptis et eciam expressatis, pro perpetuis futuris temporibus sub formâ que sequitur amicabiliter et finaliter erat concordatum.

Imprimis. Cum a tempore et per tempus cuius contrarii memoria hominum non existit episcopi Wyntonienses, qui pro tempore fuerant, suis temporibus successivis, tam de jure quam de consuetudine laudabili ecclesie supradicte legitimè prescriptâ et per tempus de quo premittitur observatâ, fuerint in possessione percipiendi et habendi, tam in presenciâ regis et regine, et alterius eorundem, quam in ipsorum absenciâ de priore et conventu eiusdem ecclesie pro tempore existentibus, singulis diebus, quibus episcopus dicti loci in palacio suo de Wolveseye, vel in ecclesiâ suâ Wyntoniensi predictâ, seu prioratu eiusdem, aut alibi infra civitatem, suburbium, vel Sokam Wyntoniensem moram traxerit, octo panes in wastellis, ponderis cuiuslibet wastelli unius miche conventualis [1] et unum sextarium [2] boni vini, scilicet quatuor lagenas, uno domicello dicti prioris wastellos et vinum huiusmodi ad locum habitacionis seu more prefati episcopi, de quâ premittitur, deferente, et eidem episcopo reverenciam debitam exhibente, ac dicente in gallico "*Mounseignour, Seint Pere et Seint Paule vous envoient*," usque ad tempus f. Hugonis Basynge, nuper prioris [3] prioratûs predicti, qui de prestacione et solucione predictis [323 b.] unum wastellum et unum lagenam vini tempore inclite memorie Edwardi tercii nuper regis Anglie, avi domini regis moderni, subtraxit injustè.

Unde super dictâ materiâ inter partes predictas in formâ, que sequitur, extitit concordatum, quod prefatus Thomas nunc prior,[4] et conventus ecclesie predicte, eorumque successores omnes et singuli suis temporibus successivis, singulis diebus, quibus reverendus pater dominus Willelmus antedictus, vel suc-

[1] Micha or michia, a small loaf, probably of two pounds if it had a fixed weight. *Fr.* mie. Wastelli (gastelli, *Fr.* gateaux) were fancy bread.

Sextarius vini continet iiij galonas.—*Fleta*, ii, 12, § 11.

[3] Prior, 1356–84. [4] Thomas Nevyle, 1394–1413.

cessores sui, Wyntonienses episcopi, in palacio de Wolveseye vel in ecclesiâ Wynton., seu prioratu eiusdem, vel alibi infra civitatem, suburbium, vel Sokam predictas personaliter, ut prefertur, erit vel existerit, octo panes in wastellis ponderis supradicti et unum sextarium integrum boni vini quantitatis et mensure predictarum prefato reverendo patri domino Willelmo episcopo Wyntoniensi toto tempore suo, eiusque successoribus episcopis Wynton. ipsorum temporibus successivis, integrè et absque diminucione quâcunque persolvant, et per eorum unum domicellum in formâ predictâ verba prelibata *Mounseignour, Seint Pere et Seint Paule vous envoient* in gallico, aut sentenciam verborum eorundem Anglico vel Latino sermone, juxta domicelli huiusmodi voluntatem, dicentem et eciam proferentem tam in presenciâ regis Anglie et regine consortis sue pro tempore existencium, et alterius eorundem, quam in eorum absenciâ, perpetuò transmittant sicque deceterò transmittere et persolvere imperpetuum teneantur et firmiter obligentur.

Item, quia Robertus Rodebourne,[1] f. Thome prioris moderni immediatus predecessor, ac idem Thomas prior et dicti loci conventus per senescallos, ballivos, et alios eorum ministros libertatum et hundredorum suorum homines et tenentes, tam liberos quam nativos residentes, et alios infra feoda, maneria, villas et villatas, libertates ac dominia predicti reverendi patris domini Willelmi, episcopi Wynton. et episcopatûs sui predicti, summoniri, impanellari, et reformari fecerunt virtute brevium domini regis, justiciariorum et commissariorum eiusdem, ac mandatorum et preceptorum eorundem, necnon custodis forestarum dicti domini regis citra Trentam, et senescalli, marescalli, ac clerici mercati hospicii domini regis, ac vicecomitis comitatûs Sutht., qui pro tempore fuerat, ac de eisdem diversos fines, exitus terrarum, amerciamenta, et forisfacturas, et alia emolumenta et proficua, ad prefatum episcopum spectancia, per varias districciones levari fecerunt et receperunt virtute summonicionum et extractarum scaccarii domini regis, et eciam virtute extractarum mandatorum et preceptorum justiciariorum itinerancium, justiciariorum assignatorum ad pacem domini regis conservandam, et aliorum justiciariorum, ac predictorum senescalli, marescalli, et clerici mercati, in prefati domini episcopi ac hominum et tenencium, ac residencium predictorum grave prejudicium atque

[1] Prior, 1384–1394.

dampnum, ac contra formam et tenorem cartarum libertatum domini regis et progenitorum suorum episcopis Wynton. ac priori et conventui ecclesie Wynton. concessarum.

Tandem inter partes predictas habitâ ad cartas libertatum predictas consideracione debitâ, in formâ subscriptâ concordatum existit, quod predicti nunc prior et conventus, eorumque successores, per se vel per senescallos, ballivos, seu ministros suos quoscunque nullam execucionem brevium domini regis vel mandatorum seu preceptorum justiciariorum itinerancium, justiciariorum assignatorum et assignandorum ad pacem domini regis conservandam, aut aliorum justiciariorum seu commissariorum eiusdem quorumcunque custodis forestarum ipsius domini regis et senescalli marescalli ac clerici mercati hospicii domini regis vel vicecomitis comitatûs predicti, qui pro tempore fuerit, aut aliorum, quocunque nomine censeantur seu quâvis auctoritate fungantur, aut vigore summonicionum seu extractarum scaccarii dicti domini regis vel aliter justiciariorum suorum de hominibus vel tenentibus, tam liberis quam nativis residentibus et aliis quibuscunque infra feoda, maneria, villas et villatas, libertates seu dominia prefati episcopi et episcopatûs sui, vel successorum dicti episcopi episcoporum Wyntoniensium, seu contra eos, quamvis infra hundreda dictorum prioris et conventûs existant, deceterò facient seu exercebunt quovis modo; set quorumcunque brevium, mandatorum, preceptorum, summonicionum, extractarum execuciones quecunque, districciones, et pecuniarum levaciones, necnon exacciones alie, cum faciende fuerint, ad prefatum episcopum et suos successores, ipsiusque et eorum senescallos, ballivos, et ministros nomine prefati episcopi et successorum suorum solum et insolidum imperpetuum pertinebunt, et consimiliter prefatus episcopus pro tempore suo per se, senescallos, ballivos, seu ministros suos, [324 a.] successoresque sui, episcopi Wyntonienses existentes pro tempore, per se vel per senescallos, ballivos, seu ministros suos quoscunque, nullam execucionem brevium dicti domini regis, vel mandatorum seu preceptorum justiciariorum seu commissariorum eiusdem quorumcunque, custodis forestarum ipsius domini regis vel vicecomitis comitatûs predicti, qui pro tempore fuerit, aut aliorum, quocunque nomine censeantur, seu quâvis auctoritate fungantur, aut vigore summonicionum seu extractarum scaccarii dicti

domini regis, vel aliorum justiciariorum suorum de hominibus vel tenentibus, tam liberis quam nativis, seu aliis residentibus quibuscunque, infra feoda, maneria, villas et villatas, libertates seu dominia, dictorum prioris et conventûs, seu contra eos, quamvis inter hundreda prefati episcopi vel successorum suorum existant, deceterò faciet aut facient, exercebit seu exercebunt, quovismodo; set quorumcunque brevium, mandatorum, preceptorum, summonicionum execuciones quecunque, districciones et pecuniarum levaciones, necnon exacciones alie huiusmodi, cum faciende fuerint, ad dictos priorem et conventum, et eorum successores, ipsorumque senescallos, ballivos, et ministros solum et insolidum imperpetuum pertinebunt.

Item licet inter recorda de tempore domini Edwardi, filii regis Henrici, quondam regis Anglie, coram eodem domino rege apud Aberconeway in quindenâ S. Johannis Baptiste anno regno sui duodecimo inter alia sic contineatur:—*Farnham, Hec sunt servicia, que prior et tenentes sui de Crondale, tam liberi quam servi debent ad manerium de Farnham. In primis prior et omnes tenentes sui, tam liberi quam servi, debent ad manerium de Farnham. Imprimis prior et omnes tenentes sui tam liberi quam servi, debent duas sectas per annum coram seneschallo domini episcopi apud Blakehethfelde, quod est in manerio de Farnham. Prior negat sectam pro personâ suâ; liberi respondeant pro se; servi appareant bis in anno, facturi quod juris fuerit, et quod ad dietam pertinet.* Ac insuper omnes homines, tam liberi quam servi, et omnes decennarii villarum, villatarum, et hamelettarum tocius manerii et dominii de Crondale ad visum franciplegii de Blakehethfelde predictâ venerunt et venire ab antiquo consueverunt a tempore et per tempus cuius contrarii memoria non existit, ad presentandum ibidem ea, que ad dietam huiusmodi presentari deberent, secundum legem et consuetudinem regni Anglie: nichilominus predictus Robertus, nuper prior, et conventus quandam curiam per senescallum suum in manerio de Crondale predicto tenuerunt, et eosdem liberos tenentes ad eandem curiam de Crondale venire fecerunt, et super eisdem articulis, super quibus ad visum franciplegii predicti domini episcopi apud Blakehethfelde, de quo prefertur, tempore ipsius episcopi juraverunt, iterum in curiâ eorum predictâ jurare compulerunt, contra legem et consuetudinem regni, et leges et consuetudines ecclesie

predicte, ad grave dampnum et prejudicium ipsius ac tenencium predictorum. Unde super hâc materiâ inter partes predictas modo, quo sequitur, concordatum existit, quod omnes liberi tenentes de Crondale et omnes decennarii[1] villarum et villatarum et hamelettorum tocius manerii et dominii de Crondale predicti cum quatuor hominibus cuiuslibet decene appareant ac faciant et debeant duas sectas per annum coram senescallo prefati episcopi et successorum suorum, episcoporum Wyntoniensium, apud Blakehethfelde, quod est in manerio de Farnham, ad presentandum ibidem ea, que ad diem sive dietam huiusmodi presentari debent, secundum legem et consuetudinem regni Anglie; quodque prior et conventus predicti, ipsorumve successores, aut alii, quocunque nomine censeantur, tenentes ipsorum super articulis de quibus coram senescallo prefati episcopi, vel successorum suorum, in visu franciplegii predicto onerati fuerint, nullatenus iteratò debeant onerare.

Item, cum inter recorda predicta eciam contineatur, quod prior et conventus predicti tenentur facere et sustinere pontes de la Bertone[2] et de hospitali,[3] prout temporibus retroactis, facere consueverunt, quociens necesse fuerit, et quia Robertus nuper prior et conventus predicti de advisamento consilii sui medietatem pontis apud *le Floudestok*[4] in Sokâ Wynton., super ripariam que currit deinfra prioratum S. Swithuni Wyntonie versus austrum, et tendit directè per collegium ibidem, *Seinte Marie College* [324 b.] *of Wynchestre* vulgariter nuncupatum, et clausum eiusdem ex parte orientali, necnon per collegium et claustrum S. Elizabeth, et pratum eiusdem, vocatum *Seinte Stephenes mede*, ex parte occidentali, in magnam et altam

[1] Tithing-men.

[2] The bridges in the meadows lying south and east of the city within the Cathedral manor of Bertone or Barton. See *Obedientiary Rolls of St. Swithun's, Winchester*, p. 224 *n.*

[3] The culvert in College Street, through which the Lockburn flows from the close into the precincts of the college. The hospital here meant is the "Sustrene Spitele," or sisters' spital, which stood as nearly as possible on the site of the Moberly Library. The great gate or main entrance of the hospital stood on the site of the headmaster's house in College Street.

[4] This is the bridge in College Street over the branch of the Itchen which used to turn the college mill. The Floodstock was just below this bridge. It was a "flood-hatch," which could be drawn when the river was high. It is frequently referred to in title deeds relating to the site of the college. "In ponte novo facto apud le Floudestok cum meremio et stipendio carpentarii xiij*s*.," is an entry of a payment in a Hordarian's roll. —*Obedientiary Rolls of St. Swithun's, Winchester*, p. 466.

ripariam,[1] que currit ab eodem collegio S. Elizabeth versus hospitale S. Crucis, pontem preterea juxta magnam portam borialem sororum hospitalis S. Swithuni Wyntonie ex parte orientali eiusdem porte, pontes eciam juxta manerium dictorum prioris et conventûs de la Bertone competenter facere, ac per se et successores suos imperpetuum sustinere, et quocienscunque opus fuerit, debitè reparare.

Ita quod via regia pro competenti transitu hominum, animalium, carectarum, et quorumcunque aliorum cariagiorum debitè super quolibet poncium predictorum exerceri poterit et haberi, viamque huiusmodi competenter imperpetuum sustentare concesserunt, inter partes predictas concordatum est, quod predictus Thomas nunc prior et conventus, eorumque successores imperpetuum, ad facturam medietatis pontis super ripariam predictam, necnon omnium aliorum poncium predictorum, et facturam alte vie regie supradicte in formâ predictâ, reparacionemque ac sustentacionem omnium premissorum, quando et quociens opus fuerit, teneantur et firmiter obligentur.

Item, quia quidam cursus aque currens deinfra civitatem Wynton. in prioratum predictum per medium privati dormitorii, claustri, domorum officii selerarie, brasine, et coquinarie, ac per medium curie eiusdem prioratûs existit, qui quidem cursus aque vocatur ibidem *Lourtebourne*,[2] in quo et per quem aque cursum fimus, cadavera, et cadaverum viscera et intestina putrida, fetida, aliaque quamplurima hominibus enormia et nociva de civitate et diversis locis et officiis prioratûs eiusdem prodeuncia extra prioratum predictum cariata, projecta a diu fuerant, et existunt continuè de presenti, ad magnum dampnum, prejudicium, gravamen, nocumentum, et periculum dicti episcopi et omnium comorancium seu transeuncium in eâ parte, ac contra leges et consuetudines regum Anglie, et contra ordinaciones et statuta per dominum regum, prelatos,

[1] The Old Barge. The stream from the close, dividing the site of the college from the site of St. Elizabeth's college, which is now the warden's garden, joined the Old Barge, or main river, at the south-western corner of St. Stephen's mead in Wykeham's time. St. Stephen's mead is now known as St. Elizabeth's mead, from the circumstance of St. Elizabeth's chapel formerly standing in it.

[2] See *Obedientiary Rolls of St. Swithun's, Winchester*, p. 249, n. 4. It was the sewer of the priory, and after leaving it, divided into two streams, one of which passed under the College, the other under the Sustern spital. The two streams then united, and after passing under the Carmelite house in the College grounds, rejoined the river.

proceres, et communitatem regni facta et edita in hoc casu; unde de et super materiâ predictâ inter partes predictas sic concordatum existit, quod prefati Thomas, nunc prior, et conventus unam cratem ferream [1] et aliàs sufficientem absque dilacionis incomodo fieri et in exteriori muro lapideo dictum prioratum versus austrum claudente,[2] per quem seu sub quo predicte aque cursus a dicto prioratu exeundo transit, poni facient et firmari, quominus huiusmodi enormia, putrida, et fetida, de quibus premittitur, seu alia nociva quecunque extra prioratum predictum transire vel aliàs projici poterunt quovismodo. Quam quidem cratem ferream iidem prior et conventus et successores sui quicunque imperpetuum, cum opus fuerit, debitè reparabunt et congruè sustentabunt; et ad hoc deceterò teneantur et firmiter obligentur.

Item, cum predictus episcopus et predecessores sui, episcopi Wynton. qui pro tempore fuerant, a tempore et per tempus cuius contrarii memoria non existit, habuerunt quandam liberam chaceam et warennam in orientali parte civitatis Wynton., et cursus aque de Ichene, que currit de Wynton. in mare juxta villam Sutht., in omnibus terris, feodis, et dominiis dicti episcopi, hominum et tenencium suorum, ac dictorum prioris et conventûs, hominum et tenencium ipsorum et aliorum quamplurimorum, infra metas et bundas warenne et chacee predictarum, prout per cartas et literas patentes regias et recorda in thesaurariâ domini regis, et per alia quamplura scripta, evidencias, et memoranda in cistis et archivis ecclesie predicte existencia pleniùs poterit apparere. In quibus quidem chaceâ et warennâ predicti prior et conventus, aut quivis alius nomine vel auctoritate eorundem prioris et conventûs, vel aliquis alius venari vel fugare, vastum seu destruccionem boscorum suorum facere non poterunt nec debeant quovismodo sine speciali licenciâ, consensu, et assensu episcopi Wynton., qui pro tempore fuerit, prehabitis in hâc parte:

Robertus tamen, nuper prior, et conventus predicti quandam magnam partem bosci de *la Langewode* [3] vocatum *le Rudyng* infra boscum et coopertum [4] eiusdem bosci de *la Langewode*

[1] An iron grid or grating. [2] The south wall of the Close, facing College Street.
[3] Longwood Warren, five miles south-east of Winchester.
[4] Covert. The underwood covering the ground where *boscus* or great timber grows.

infra chaceam et warennam predictas existentem, cum magnâ multitudine et potenciâ hominum suorum per ministros et [325a.] servientes suos vi et armis prosterni fecerunt, ad magnum vastum et destruccionem dicti bosci, necnon warenne et chacee predictarum, ac eciam cuniculos quamplures in eisdem chaceâ et warennâ inventos ceperunt et asportârunt.

Preterea quemdam alium boscum supra villatam de Chiltecombe vocatum *Oxenfolde*, infra metas et bundas dictarum chacee et warenne existentem, prosterni et comburi fecerunt, ad grave dampnum, etc.; et cum infra metas et bundas dicti bosci vocati *la Langewode* predicti prior et conventus seu predecessores sui, nec aliquis alius, cuiuscunque statûs vel condicionis existeret, vel existat, pascua, pasturam, vel comunam aliquam ad oves, multones, seu bidentes aliquas depascendas hucusque habuerit, vel de jure seu consuetudine habere debuerit aut debeat quovismodo, predicti tamen nuper prior et conventus per multones, bidentes, et oves suas cuiuscunque generis in maximâ multitudine pasturam, pascua, et comunam infra easdem metas et bundas predicti bosci de *la Langewode* depasti fuerunt, consumpserunt, et destruxerunt, iidemque prior et conventus grossa animalia sua cuiuscunque generis de manerio suo de *la Bertone*, quod est extra metas et bundas chacee et warenne predictarum in predicto bosco de *la Langewode* infra chaceam et warennam existente posuerunt, et ibidem pasturam et pascua eiusdem bosci et comunam pasture ad homines episcopi Wynton. de *Wychhurst*, *Thorshawe*, *Pukstede*, *Gaterigge*, et *Tychebourne*, scilicet villanos predictorum hamelettorum, et non aliorum hamelettorum, predicti episcopi, necnon ad homines predicti prioris de Ovyngtone, Chiltecombe, et Morstede, scilicet villani dictorum hamelettorum, et non aliorum hamelettorum predictorum prioris et conventûs de jure et consuetudine antiquâ solum et insolidum spectancia et pertinencia, similiter depasti fuerunt, consumpserunt, et destruxerunt, ad magnum dampnum, prejudicium, et gravamen dicti episcopi, etc. Sicque habitâ consideracione debitâ ad cartas regias et recorda predicta compertum est destruccionem et vastum predicti bosci vocati *le Rudynge* infra boscum de *la Langewode* predictum, necnon cuiusdam alterius bosci super villatam de Chiltecombe vocati *Oxenfolde*, de quo premittitur, prostracionem et combustionem, ac cuniculorum in locis predictis capcionem per

priorem et conventum, homines servientes et tenentes predictos, vel eorum seu alterius cuiuscunque auctoritate seu nomine perpetratas seu factas injustas et iniquas, ac contra tenorem et formam cartarum, recordarum, et aliorum scriptorum et memorandum predictorum, et contra consuetudinem, libertates, et jura ecclesie predicte attemptatas et presumptas, necnon pasturam, pascua, et comunam infra metas et bundas predicti bosci de *la Langewode* predicti per oves, multones, et bidentes dictorum prioris et conventûs, ac per grossa eorum animalia manerii de *la Bertone*, quod est extra metas et bundas warenne et chacee predictorum, contra tenorem, etc., injuste depasta, consumpta, et destructa fuisse et esse.

Unde super premissis est inter partes predictas sic pro futuris concordatum, quod prior et conventus antedicti, eorumque successores imperpetuum, destruccionem, vastum, et combustionem alicuius bosci infra loca predicta, vel alibi infra warennam et chaceam memoratas non facient, nec cuniculos in dictis locis capient, neque pasturam, pascua, vel comunas in locis predictis cum ovibus, bidentibus, et multonibus, necnon cum grossis eorum animalibus predicti manerii de la Bertone, seu alterius loci cuiuscunque quomodolibet habere debent, neque ab hâc die in futurum habeant aut exerceant aliquo modo, set ab hiis et eorum quolibet penitus se abstineant imperpetuum, priorque et conventus pasturam seu comunam habeant in locis eisdem solummodo cum grossis eorum animalibus racione terrarum et tenementorum existencium in manibus hominum villanorum predicti prioris et predecessorum suorum in hamelettis de *Ovyngtone*, *Chiltecombe* et *Morstede* pro quantitate terrarum [325 b.] predictarum, et secundum numerum animalium, per modum et formam duntaxat quibus dicti homines villani de jure et consuetudine usi fuerunt, et debuerunt habere, et non aliter, nec alio modo; prefatique prior et conventus ad claudendum loca predicta, sic, ut prefertur, vastata, cum sepibus et haiis in circuitu in proximâ seisonâ venturâ, ita quod animalia seu bestie non intrent eadem loca, quodque clausuram huiusmodi per sex annos proximos futuros continuè sustentare et, quociens necesse fuerit, infra tempus predictum sufficienter et debitè reparare teneantur, ac vigore presencium arciùs obligentur.

Item cum inter manerium ipsius episcopi de Henle juxta

Whytchurche, et manerium dictorum prioris et conventûs de Whytchurche, quedam fossata longa, que habere consuevit super se sepem sive haiam sufficientem, existat, quas quidem fossatam, sepem, sive haiam prior et conventus predicti tenentur et predecessores sui tenebantur, a tempore et per tempus cuius contrarii memoria hominum non existit, facere, reparare, et competenter in omnibus, quociens opus fuerit, sustentare et de jure et consuetudine antiquitùs usitatis; predicti tamen Robertus, nuper prior, et conventus per eorum ballivos et alios ministros suos predicti manerii de Whytechurche oves et bidentes, ac alia ipsius episcopi animalia manerii sui de *Henle*, pro defectu facture et reparacionis fossate, sepis, sive haie predicte, super solum ipsorum prioris et conventûs multociens evadencia, necnon oves, bidentes, ac animalia ipsius episcopi in comuni pasturâ apud Whytechurche predictam ad predictum manerium dicti episcopi de Henle pertinente depascencia ceperunt, sepius effugârunt, et eciam imparcârunt,[1] necnon custodes et pastores ovium, bidencium, et animalium predictorum amerciari, et amerciamenta super eisdem custodibus et pastoribus apposita per graves districciones sibi solvi fecerunt injuste, ad magnum ipsius episcopi dampnum, etc.

Quorum occasione, et sequencium ex eisdem, inter partes predictas contencio est suborta, habitâque consideracione diligenti per partes antedictas ad antiquam consuetudinem, libertates, et jura prelibata, compertum est evidenter, capcionem, fugacionem, et imparcacionem ovium, bidentum, ac aliorum dicti episcopi animalium in utroque casu predicto, districcionesque et amerciamenta predicta per dictos priorem et conventum, et eorum nomine, ut premittitur, facta, injusta fuisse et esse; ac concordatum est inter easdem partes, de quibus supra, quod prefati Thomas, nunc prior, et conventus, eorumque successores imperpetuum, ad sustentacionem et reparacionem fossate, clausure, sepis, sive haie predicte teneantur, quodque ab huiusmodi capcione, abduccione, et imparcacione, districcione, et amerciamentis huiusmodi in casibus predictis abstinebunt et abstinere debebunt imperpetuum.

Item, cum prefatus episcopus ipsiusque predecessores, et predecessores episcopi Wyntonienses a tempore et per tempus cuius contrarii memoria non existit, habuerunt et tenuerunt

[1] Have impounded.

quamdam villatam seu hamelettam vocatam *Asshmansworthe*, ac omnes homines et tenentes ac eciam residentes in eâdem, tam liberi quam alii, cuiuscunque condicionis fuerint, infra feodum et dominium nostra[1] de *Hyghclere* et *Est Wydehay* sectam ad curiam et visum franciplegii dicti episcopi et predecessorum suorum apud *Hyghclere* fecerint continuè; cumque iidem homines et tenentes ac residentes in eâdem villâ de *Asshmansworthe* taxentur et taxati fuerint semper simul adinvicem ad quintam decimam et aliam taxam, imposicionem, et quotam quamcunque super eos ad opus domini regis, et eam collectoribus eiusdem domini regis in eâ parte deputatis per [326 a.] seipsos et pro seipsis duntaxat solverint ac solvere consueverint, absque contradiccione et impedimento quibuscunque, et absque eo, quod ipsi vel eorum aliqui sectam aliquam ad curiam et visum franciplegii dictorum prioris et conventûs de *Whytechurche* facere, seu ad solvendum quintam decimam, taxas, imposiciones, seu quotas quascunque vel contribuendum ad easdem cum hominibus et tenentibus dictorum prioris et conventûs quibuscunque, et presertim cum eorum hominibus et tenentibus de *Crokkerstoke*[2] et *Hussebourne*, aut aliud onus huiusmodi cum eisdem pro terris tenementis, bonis, et catallis suis in *Asshmansworthe* predictâ subire minimè tenebantur aut eciam debuissent, dicti tamen Robertus, nuper prior, et conventus per se, ministros suos, ac alios de eorum familiâ Johannem Sydele, Johannem Laurence, Johannem atte Pole, et alios tenentes de feodo predicto et residentes in eâdem villatâ seu hamelettâ de *Asshmansworthe*, infra feodum predictum, graviter distringi fecerunt, et eos per easdem districciones sic captas compulerunt injustè ad faciendam sectam curie et visum franciplegii eorundem de *Whytechurche*, et ad solvendam quintadecimam, aliasque taxas, imposiciones, et quotas quascunque pro terris, tenementis, bonis, et catallis suis in *Asshmansworthe*, *Crokkerstoke*, *Bourne*, et *Hussebourne*, ad grave dampnum, etc.

De quâ quidem materiâ est inter partes predictas in formâ que sequitur concordatum, quod prefati homines et tenentes dicti episcopi liberi et nativi, ac residentes quicunque infra feodum dominium et ballivam de *Hyghclere* predictâ, ac villatâ

[1] It may be inferred from the appearance here of the word "nostra" instead of "dicti episcopi," that the bishop himself drafted this document.

[2] Now Stoke, a village on the road from Whitchurch through St. Mary Bourne to Hurstbourne Tarrant.

sive hamelettâ de *Asshmansworthe* et *Est Wydehay* predictis, ad faciendam sectam aliquam ad aliquam curiam vel visum franciplegii dictorum prioris et conventûs, qui nunc sunt, aut successorum suorum, et presertim de *Whytechurche*, seu ad solvendam quintam decimam, taxas, imposiciones, seu quotas quascunque, vel ad contribuendum ad eas cum hominibus et tenentibus dictorum prioris et conventûs quibuscunque, aut aliquod aliud onus huiusmodi cum eisdem pro terris, tenementis, bonis, et catallis suis in Asshmansworthe vel alibi in manerio predicto deceterò faciendum vel subeundum, nullatenus tenebuntur ; districcionesque ac compulsiones quascunque contra prefatos Johannem Sydele, Johannem Laurence, et Johannem atte Pole occasione predictâ factas recognoverunt iidem Thomas prior, et conventus, non valere de consuetudine nec de jure.

Item, cum a tempore et per tempus, de quibus premittitur, priores et conventus ecclesie Wyntoniensis predicte qui pro tempore fuerunt, tenuerint de prefati episcopi predecessoribus, episcopis Wynton., prefatique Robertus Rodebourne, nuper prior, et conventus eiusdem, de prefato episcopo, ut de episcopatu Wyntoniensi tenuerit, et f. Thomas, nunc prior, et conventus teneant quamplura feoda militum in comitatu Sutht. et alibi per fidelitatem, homagium, et servicium militare, prout inter recorda et memoranda in scaccario domini regis Edwardi tercii, anno regni sui vicesimo tercio, existencia pleniùs continetur, necnon quedam terras et tenementa per servicia magne serjancie, per fidelitatem et homagium in comitatu predicto, prout inter munimenta, evidencias, et alia antiqua et legitima documenta in archivis ecclesie Wynton. predicte existencia pleniùs continetur ; iidem tamen Robertus, nuper prior, et conventus predicti fidelitatem, homagium aut aliquod aliud servicium pro predictis feodis prefato episcopo facere recusârunt ; super quo inter prefatum episcopum et dictos Robertum, nuper priorem, et conventum gravis discordia suborta.

Unde super predictis habitâ hinc inde ad recorda et memoranda predicta consideracione debitâ, inter partes predictas concordatum est in hunc modum, videlicet quod prior et conventus, qui nunc sunt, eorumque successores imperpetuum, fidelitatem, homagium, et servicium, de quibus prefertur, pro feodis militum et serjanciis predictis dicto episcopo pro tempore,

eiusque successoribus episcopis Wyntoniensibus singulis suis successivis temporibus facere debebunt, redditibus, serviciis, clausuris palacii predicti episcopi de Wolveseye et parcorum suorum debitis et consuetis, ac libertatibus, obedienciis, proficuis, emolumentis, juribus, consuetudinibus, rebus, et commoditatibus aliis ecclesie sue Wynton. quibuscunque, mense et porcioni ipsius episcopali pertinentibus, superiùs non expressis, sibi et successoribus suis in omnibus semper salvis et eciam reservatis. In quorum omnium testimonium, etc. Dated at the Chapter House, Winchester, 15 December, 1398.

Letters patent, closing a thoroughfare through the Cathedral cloisters, with a reservation to the bishop of a private right of way through from Wolvesey.[1]

Edwardus, etc., salutem. Intentam supplicacionem venerabilis patris Willelmi de Wykeham, Wyntoniensis episcopi, concepimus, ut cum progenitores nostri quondam reges Anglie ad laudem Dei et sacre religionis augmentum, suarumque animarum salutem, situm ecclesie Cathedralis Wynton., et monasterii eiusdem, dedissent et concessissent, idemque monasterium ibidem ordinâssent, ut religiosi in eodem deputarentur, qui inibi Domino famulantes ac cupientes continuè divinis obsequiis, contemplacionibus, studiis et devocionibus sacre religionis quietè, pacificè, et devotè insistere pro suarum et heredum ac successorum suorum animarum salute, Altissimo devociùs exorarent, pro quorum meritis, occasionibus sinistris exclusis, utilitas maxima ad laudem Dei perfectum animarum quorumcunque fidelium ac toti populo Christiano poterit pervenire, per nonnulla tempora retroacta variis in vie vite exercicio afficiebantur angustiis, et multiplicibus occasionibus sinistris et molestiis vexabantur ex eo, quod per ecclesiam cathedralem predictam et claustrum eidem ecclesie contiguum, ubi pedes cathenâ residencie cohercitos contemplacionibus, devocionibus, et suffragiis diligenciùs insistendo habere deberent, ac per portas curie dicti monasterii et eciam per medium eiusdem curie transitus seu via, ut communis et publica, ab omnibus dicte civitatis et suburbii eiusdem habitatoribus, incolis, et indigenis, ac eciam ab extraneis convolantibus ad eandem, communiter reputabatur et habebatur,

[1] See ground-plan in *Winchester Cathedral Documents*, ii, p. 40, where however the cloister-site does not seem to be carried quite far enough westwards.

reputatur et habetur eciam in presenti, per aliqua tempora per loca predicta transitum seu viam, ut publicam, communiter exercuerunt et exercent, frequentârunt et frequentant, ex quo dampna et furta non modica per huiusmodi transitum seu viam in reliquiis et jocalibus ac aliis rebus eiusdem ecclesie furtivè ablatis, deperditis, et nequiter alienatis irreparabiliter emerserunt, divinumque officium in ecclesiâ memoratâ impediebatur, et nequiter impeditur ; monachis eiusdem ecclesie, quibus vagacionem et dissolucionem observancia regularis et claustralis, modesta residencia, interdicit, dissolucionis, vagacionis, gravis scandali, ac varie cogitacionis et delectacionis maiùs per incautos aspectus et vultus, ac confabulaciones personarum secularium eciam inhonestarum utriusque sexûs illuc transeuncium materia tribuitur manifestè, contemplacio et devocio claustralis ac meditacio monachorum diversimodè tollitur, et multipliciter evitatur, in animarum fidelium, pro quibus orare deberent, et quibus eorum suffragia ad premium tenderent sempiternum, dampnum non modicum, et divini cultûs et sacre religionis diminucionem insuper manifestam, que omnino sacre religionis honestati, contemplacioni et devocioni in contraria, ac juri et racioni fore dissona dinoscuntur.

[327a.] Et ad que delenda et subtrahenda, et ad statum debitum reducendum regiam maiestatem mero motu ad laudem Dei et sacre religionis observanciam regularem, et pro tuicione ecclesiastice libertatis, remedium apponere condecet oportunum, et premissa nephanda, que sic nequiter invalebant, benigniter reformare, volumus ex benignitatis et gracie nostre rore super dampnis, gravaminibus, et impedimentis predictis remedium apponere oportunum.

Nos tamen donacionem, concessionem, et ordinacionem ipsorum progenitorum nostrorum predictas acceptantes, easque ratas et stabiles permanere, necnon securitati et quieti dictorum religiosorum providere corditer affectantes, ac proinde supplicacioni dicti venerabilis patris inclinati, omnem huiusmodi transitum et viam, impedimenta, dampna, et gravamina in dictâ supplicacione contenta ex certâ nostrâ sciencîâ abolemus, et volumus et precipimus penitus aboleri ; prohibentes omnibus et singulis incolis et habitatoribus predictis, et eciam extraneis quibuscunque, ne transitum seu viam aliquam per ecclesiam,

claustrum, et curiam predicta faciant, vendicent, seu frequentent deceterò quovismodo, sub forisfacturâ omnium, que nobis forisfacere poterunt infuturum.

Et concedentes pro nobis et heredibus nostris, ut porte et ostia ecclesie, claustri, et curie predictorum claudi valeant, et clausa servari temporibus quibuscunque, prout meliùs, honestiùs, et devociùs ad observancium sacre religionis, divini cultûs, ac sancte meditacionis augmentum videbitur expedire, usu predicto in contrarium in aliquo non obstante.

Ita quod monachi, qui sacre religioni dediti existunt, et esse debent in regularibus observanciis et monasticis disciplinis, virtutum Domino valeant liberiùs, securiùs, et quieciùs solitò famulari, et cuiuscunque dispendii materiâ exulante, per laudande conversacionis exemplum, fama eorum fiat deceterò ad laudem Divini nominis odor bonus, honor dicte ecclesie dilatetur, et prefate dissolucionis discrimina, ac cuiuslibet infamie acrimonia perpetuò sopiantur, juxta piam intencionem fundatorum predictorum.

Salvis tamen prefato episcopo et successoribus suis, ac familiaribus et ministris suis ibidem, liberis transitu et viâ a palacio ipsius episcopi de Wolveseye in claustrum, ecclesiam, et civitatem predictam, et eciam libero regressu ab eisdem claustro, ecclesiâ, et civitate ad palacium predictum, quandocunque et quociens-cunque necesse fuerit, temporibus oportunis, sine impedimento vel contradiccione aliquali, prout hactenus ibidem fieri consuevit. In cuius rei testimonium, etc.

Teste meipso apud Westm. xij die Julii, anno regni nostri Anglie xlviij (1374), regni verò nostri Francie xxxv.

Letters patent dated at Westminster, 20 August, 4 Ric. II, confirming above letters patent.

Commission granted to John Elmere, the official, and Simon Membury, treasurer of Wolvesey, to visit St. Elizabeth's college. —Waltham, 1 Sept., 1400.

[**327 b.**] Commission granted to m. John Campeden, archd. of Surrey, and Simon Membury, to visit Magdalen hospital, Winchester, and require production of an inventory, pursuant to the "Quia contingit."—Same date.

[329 a.] To same, to correct abuses detected in above visitation, with power to remove the master (John Melton) if necessary.—Farnham, 20 Nov., 1400.

[327 b.] Commission granted to m. John Campeden, Robert Ketone, and Walter Aude, to administer oath of obedience to warden, fellows, and scholars of Winchester college, when the final edition of the statutes was promulgated [1] :—

Willelmus, etc., fundator collegii beate Marie prope civitatem Winton. dilectis in Christo filiis, etc., s. g. et b. Cum nos certas ordinaciones et statuta varia que pro salubri regimine dicti nostri collegii, personarum, bonorum et possessionum eiusdem necessaria et utilia reputamus, divinâ favente clemenciâ, edideri-mus, inviolabiliter imperpetuum observanda. Nos volentes huiusmodi ordinaciones nostras et statuta custodis, sociorum, et scolarium eiusdem collegii juramento vallari, eosque omnes et singulos ad observacionem ordinacionum et statutorum juxta ipsorum continenciam et tenorem astringi vinculo juramenti :

Ad recipiendum igitur nomine nostro custodis, omniumque sociorum et scolarium predictorum de fideliter observando nostras huiusmodi ordinaciones et statuta, quas et que nostri sigilli munimine roborata, eis transmittimus,[2] juramenta corporalia juxta formam in eis contentam, necnon juramenta capellanorum conducticiorum, magistri informatoris, et hostiarii et clericorum capelle, aliorumque officiariorum et ministrorum dicti nostri collegii quorumcunque, secundum vim, formam, et essenciam statutorum nostri collegii memorati, contradictores quoque et rebelles in hâc parte, si qui fuerint, a dicto nostro collegio removendum et penitus expellendum, ceteraque omnia et singula facienda et expedienda, que in hâc parte necessaria fuerint et

[1] An allusion to earlier statutes will be found on p. 457.

[2] The sealed copy of the statutes, which was left at Winchester college on this occasion, is preserved in the muniment room there. It is bound in doeskin, and consists of twenty-six leaves, besides blank or fly leaves, each 15½ by 11¾ inches. The writing is very clear, in black, with blue and red capitals and illuminated headings to the forty-six clauses or rubrics. The bishop's seal, impressed in brown wax, and protected by a wrapper of silk cloth, is appended by green and red strings of silk to the volume. Campeden and his colleagues came to Winchester on the 11th of September to execute their commission, as appears by the following entry in the Bursars' roll under that date :—"In expensis MM. Joh. de Campeden, Roberti Ketone et Walteri Aude, existencium cum eorum familiâ et equis quorundam eorum per ij dies pro novis statutis legendis et promulgandis, necnon juramentis custodis, sociorum, scolarium, et serviencium eiusdem Collegii recipiendis, xxviijs."

eciam oportuna, vobis aut duobus vestrûm, de quorum fidelitate et circumspeccione plenè confidimus, vices nostras committimus per presentes.—*Ib.*, 9 Sept., 1400.

[328 a.] Memorandum, that on Sunday, 12 September, Henry, bp. of Annadown, received the following novices at St. Mary's abbey :—Cecily London, Agnes Denham, Joan Godesmore, Eleanor Haylynge, Margaret Tycheborne, Margaret Wodelok, Emma Merrsh, Agnes Ketene, Margaret Werkman, Isabel Poltere, Margaret Vowell, Maud Becke, Alice Crouk.

On the following Sunday the said bishop received Margery Camoys, Alice Warennere, Joan Stratford, Alice Northlode, Alice Forester, Elizabeth Sampson, Maud Lovele, Katherine De la Mare, Alice Chamberleyn, Isabel Lekforde, Alice Artone, Juliana Shirnham, and Joan Umfray, at Romsey abbey.

License of non-residence for two years granted to ds. John Brys, r., of Knight's Enham (vol. i, p. 217).—*Ib.*, 15 Sept.

Similar license for one year granted to Adam Mory, r. of Buckland (vol. i, p. 227).—Same date.

Return to writ of summons to Parliament received 16 Sept., 1400, and acknowledged on following day—and

Mandate directed to archd. of Winchester to attend and summon clergy.

License granted to prior of Christchurch Twynham to choose a confessor.—*Ib.*, 18 Sept.

[328 b.] Commission to m. Nicholas Wykeham, archd. of Wilts, John Elmere the official, Robert Ketone and Walter Aude, to visit New College, Oxford (for form see p. 374).—*Ib.*, 23 Sept.

Brief for Jordan atte Broke, of Southampton, a merchant who had had losses :—

Universis sancte matris ecclesie filiis, etc., gratum Deo obsequium tociens impendere opinamur, quociens mentes fidelium ad pietatis et caritatis opera allectivis indulgenciarum muneribus propensiùs excitamus. Hinc est, quod cum quidam Jordanus atte Broke de Suthamptone, marchant, omnia bona et catalla sua per infortunium jam tardè in mari et aliis diversis viis et

modis perdiderit, ipseque in maximâ paupertate et miseriâ sit collapsus, sic quod nichil habet unde vivere vel debita sua persolvere valeat, nisi a Christi fidelibus et Deo devotis caritatinè subveniatur eidem, prout in literis patentibus domini nostri regis coram nobis super hoc per dictum Johannem exhibitis pleniùs continetur.

Nos verò cupientes ad subveniendum, etc., with grant of forty days indulgence.—Farnham, 25 Sept., 1400.

License granted to Hugh Craft, r. of Waltham (vol. i, p. 246), to choose a confessor.—Same date.

License granted to Richard Wallop and Alice his wife to hear divine service in their private chapel during the bishop's pleasure.—Esher, 25 Oct.

Similar license granted to William Ryngeborne.—Farnham, 9 Nov.

[329 a.] License of non-residence for three years granted to Roger Paternoster, r. of Puttenham (vol. i, p. 230), for attendance on Edmund duke of York.—*Ib.*, 18 Nov.

Denunciation of Sunday trading in Winchester:—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis in Christo filiis mm. Johanni Payn in jure canonico, et Thome Hussele in legibus baccalariis, s. g. et b. Sacris canonibus et sanctorum patrum constitucionibus noscitur esse cautum, quod cuncti Christi fideles dies dominicos ac festa principalia Domini nostri Ihu Christi, gloriosissimeque matris sue Virginis intemerate, apostolorumque et sanctorum martirum, quorum vigilie juxta ordinacionem et observacionem ecclesie Anglicane jejunantur, venerari, et ab operibus servilibus et officiis mechanicis abstinere, missasque et alia divina officia in ipsorum parochialibus ecclesiis audire et Deo jugiter famulari tenentur, preter et artantur.

Insinuacione tamen clamosâ intelleximus displicenter, quod nonnulli nostri subditi civitatis nostre Wynton. dies dominicos ac festa huiusmodi observare, prout legalis sanxit auctoritas, et divinis officiis intendere minimè curârunt, neque curant eciam in presenti; set suis artificiis, negociacionibus, mercimoniis, et mercandizis diebus predictis continuè intendunt, ac eorum opellas sive shopas prefatis diebus, prout aliis non feriatis, cunctis

venientibus prebent et tenent apertas, ipsorum artificiis, negociacionibus, et mercandizis, ut premittitur, publicè insistendo, in animarum suarum grave periculum, aliorumque artificum et mercatorum dicte civitatis perniciosum exemplum, ac alme matris ecclesie contemptum manifestum.

[329 b.] Nosque premissis obviare volentes, sicuti ex nostro tenemur officio pastorali, vobis et utrique vestrûm committimus et mandamus, quatenus nostros subditos huiusmodi culpabiles in hâc parte, ipsorum apprenticios, servitores, et ministros quoscunque moneatis et efficaciter inducatis, quos nos eciam tenore presencium monemus, quod diebus dominicis et festivis huiusmodi in ipsorum parochialibus ecclesiis missas et alia divina, prout ceteri Christi fideles facere consuerant et faciunt devotè, audiant et Deo jugiter famulentur; ac quod ipsorum opellas sive shopas pro ipsorum artificiis, negociacionibus, et mercandizis diebus huiusmodi exercendis nullatenus aperiant aut apertas teneant quovismodo, set ab huiusmodi operibus servilibus, artificiis mechanicis, negociacione, et mercandizis, preterquam in victualium provisione, se abstineant omni modo, sub penâ excommunicacionis maioris, etc.—*Ib.*, 10 Dec., 1400.

A similar letter to archdeacon of Winchester, enjoining him quatenus clerum et populum vobis subjectum absque more dispendio in singulis capitulis vestris[1] publicè et in genere moneatis, et efficaciter inducatis, ac in singulis ecclesiis archidiaconatûs predicti moneri et induci faciatis, ut ab huiusmodi mercatis ceterisque illicitis operibus supradictis diebus dominicis et festivis se abstineant penitus et desistant; quodque dies ipsos, prout hiis acciderint temporibus, summo opere observent et debito venerentur officio: atque ad parochiales eorum ecclesias diebus ipsis reverenter accedant, missarum suarum parochialium et aliorum divinorum officiorum complecionem ibidem expectent, pro ipsorum parentum et benefactorum suorum, ceterorumque fidelium vivorum, et defunctorum animabus, sinceris mentibus oraturi; sic festorum dictorum solempnia decurrendo, ut ipsi pro quibus oraverint, sanctos, quorum festa celebraverint, intercessores mereantur habere assiduos.

Inhibentes preterea omnibus et singulis capellanis in ecclesiis parochialibus archidiaconatûs predicti celebrantibus, ne dictis

[1] *i. e.*, in the ruridecanal chapters.

dominicis diebus, solempnibus, et festivis usque post lectum maioris misse evangelium missas suas incipiant quovis modo, [330 a.] nisi de licenciâ rectoris vel vicarii, aut alterius ipsorum vices gerentes, specialiter preobtentâ, prout sanctorum patrum constitucionibus noscitur institutum, ne ecclesiarum parochiani per prefatas missas matutinales, aut alias peculiares, a missis suis parochialibus, quod absit, futuris temporibus aliqualiter retrahantur. . . . .

Et quid feceritis, etc.—Same date.

Summons to convocation on the morrow of the Conversion of St. Paul (26 Jan., 1400–1), dated at Canterbury, 8 December, circulated by bp. of London, 19 December, and acknowledged by bp. at Farnham, 26 December.

[331 a.] Profession of William Sherpe, at St. Thomas the Martyr's hospital, Southwark, 25 Feb., 1400–1 :—

Ego, f. Willelmus, facio professionem meam et promitto obedienciam Deo et beate Marie et sancto Thome, huius loci magistro, et successoribus suis, secundum regulam S. Augustini et instituciones regulares eiusdem loci ; quod ero obediens sibi et successoribus suis usque ad mortem.

On the morrow, the bishop granted the custody of the priory to f. John Ayllesbury, one of the brethren, and issued another citation for Henry Grygg, the master (see p. 490).

[331 b.] Appointment of ds. Thomas Stanle, m. John Campeden, ds. Robert Faryngtone, ds. Thomas Aylward, and Henry Shelforde, or any one of them, to be proctors for the bishop to a parliament to be held in the octave of Hilary.—Farnham, 17 Jan., 1400–1.

John Redynge, of the friars-preachers, Guildford, appointed penitancer for the deanery of Ewell.—Esher, 18 March.

License of non-residence granted to Robert Ragenhulle, r. of Worplesdon (vol. i, p. 219), while in attendance on the king, and to m. John Skiftelynge (vol. i, p. 232), r. of Houghton, while in attendance on the bp. of London.—Farnham, 12 and 16 April, 1401.

Deputation of William Fauconer as bailiff of Sutton, Alresford, and Cheriton.—*Ib.*, 18 April.

Indulgence for such as should visit Eston priory in the octave of Trinity, and contribute to the repairs fund.—Date wanting.

John Elmere, the official, and others, appointed proctors for the bishop to Convocation on the morrow of the Conversion of St. Paul.—Farnham, 18 April, 1401.

License of non residence for one year granted to Hugh, r. of Shalfleet (vol. i, p. 160).—Southwark, 24 Feb., 1400–1.

F. John Cherteseye, of the friars-preachers, Guildford, re-appointed penitancer (see p. 496).—*Ib.*, 26 Feb.

[332 a.] License of non residence until 18 November and for two years longer granted to Roger Paternoster, r. of West Clandon (vol. i, p. 230).—*Ib.*, 11 March.

[332 b.] Mandate from Lewis, bp. of Volterra (see p. 494), to enforce payment of arrears of Peter pence, etc., and return by the bp., dated 18 June, 1401.

[333 a.] Letters patent of Edward II, tested at Westminster, 24 Nov., 10 Ed. II, entitled "De statuto pro clero observando," confirming the statute of Westminster the First (3 Ed. I, c. 1), that none shall thresh corn nor take corn, nor any manner of victual nor other goods, of a prelate, man of religion, parson, nor any other, clerk or lay, by colour of buying or otherwise, against the will and licence of him to whom the thing belongeth, or of the keeper, be it within market town or without.[1]

[333 b.] Copy of letters patent of Edward II, setting forth "articuli cleri," the articles propounded by the prelates and clergy of the realm in the parliament held at Lincoln in the fifteen days of St. Hilary, 1314–15, containing divers grievances of the prelates and clergy, and the answers made thereto by the king and his council.[2]—Tested at York, 24 November, 10 Ed. II.

[334 b.] Presentation of ds. William Loxle, canon of Chichester and prebendary of Hurst in that cathedral, to the church of Little Hinton, on exchange with William Nortone, the rector.—Farnham, 15 Nov., 1400.

[1] These letters patent renewed in substance letters patent tested at Canterbury, 11 June, 2 and 3 Ed. III, which will be found in the Statutes at Large of that year.

[2] See the Statutes at Large and Pynson's *Antiqua Statuta* for the articuli cleri, which it seems unnecessary to print at length here.

Presentation of William Hole, pr., to second stall in the church of St. Lawrence, Candlewick Street (see pp. 423, 500).—Southwark, 7 Feb., 1400–1.

Dimissory for Nicholas Danyell, archdeacon of Winchester, to priest's orders.—*Ib.*, 10 Feb.

Appointment of Richard Wallop to be bailiff of Twyford and Merdon.—Farnham, 19 April, 1401.

Acquittance by prior and convent of Selborne for 100 marks given by the bishop[1]:—

Memorandum, quod septimo die mensis Maii a. d. MCCCCI nos, Thomas Westone, prior prioratûs ecclesie beate Marie de Selbourne, ordinis S. Augustini, Wynton. dio., et eiusdem loci conventus in domo nostrâ capitulari personaliter constituti recepimus et habuimus die confeccionis presencium a reverendo in Christo patre et domino, domino Willelmo Dei graciâ Wynton. episcopo, loci nostri ordinario preter et patrono, centum marcas sterlingorum bone et legalis monete ex dicti patris piâ largicione, liberalitate, et elemosinâ nobis collatas, erogatas, et realiter numeratas.

Nosque, volentes eidem reverendo patri pro nostre plenitatis modulo gratâ vicissitudine respondere, tantaque ipsius patris beneficia sic nobis munificè impensa oracionum suffragiis compensare, concessimus ac in animas nostras bonâ fide promisimus et juravimus pro nobis et successoribus nostris, quod per tempus decem annorum a die date presencium continuè numerandorum duas missas singulis diebus pro statu et incolumitate dicti reverendi patris dum fuerit in humanis, ac pro animâ Rogeri Gervays,[2] necnon pro animâ dicti reverendi patris, si infra tempus predictum migrare contigerit ab hâc luce, per duos canonicos conventûs nostri predicti faciemus specialiter celebrari.

[335 a.] Dimissory for ff. Thomas Shirfelde and John Romeney, canons of Merton, to priest's orders.—Waltham, 25 May.

Indulgence for benefactors of the church of St. Mary Rouncival, Charing Cross.—*Ib.*, 27 May.

[1] He had paid their debts ten years before.—*Moberly*, p. 245.
[2] See *Moberly*, p. 263 *n.*

Relaxation by Lewis, bp. of Volterra, of sequestration of archidiaconate of Winchester for non payment of Peter pence, dated London, 31 May, 1401.

License for a private oratory granted to John Watertone and Joan his wife for three years; and to Amice, widow of Gilbert Esteneye, for two years.[1]—Waltham, 20 and 25 June.

License granted to curate of Droxford to marry Robert Wexham, his serving man, and Juliana, widow of John Russell of Droxford, *in facie ecclesie*, after banns.—*Ib.*, 26 June.

Prayers for the king in the time of Glendower's rebellion :—

Archbishop's mandate, dated 1 June, ordering prayers for the King, who "nobis cum instanciâ supplicavit, quatenus ipsum cum exercitu suo in conservacione, tuicione, et defensione regni et ecclesie Anglicane ac juris sui regii, que Wallicorum aliorumque rebellium et inimicorum astuta dolositas contra justiciam hostiliter nititur impugnare, apud Altissimum, exercituum dominum, cuius imperio principes dominantur, et ubique dirigitur orbis terre, devotis oracionum suffragiis specialiter commendemus;" with forty days' indulgence.

[335 b.] Return dated at Waltham, 1 July.

Mandate directed to m. Nicholas Wykeham, archd. of Wilts and warden of Domus Dei, Portsmouth, to enforce repairs of the chancel of Portsmouth.[2]—*Ib.*, 6 July.

Presentation of m. Thomas Romeseye[3] to church of Patney.

Mandate to archdeacons for prayers "pro pace et tranquillitate, conservacioneque tuicione et defensione ipsius domini nostri regis, regni, et ecclesie Anglicane, ac felici expedicione navigii dicti regni nunc in mari existentis, pestilenciâ que sive epidemiâ jam regnante cedandâ,[4] necnon pro aëris temperie et eius serenitate captandâ, apud Altissimum devotarum oracionum suffragia specialiter effundere . . . . . curaremus;" with forty days' indulgence.—Wolvesey, 23 July.

Presentation of ds. Thomas Raley, v. of prebendal vicarage of East Harptree, to Bleadon.—*Ib.*, 25 July.

[1] Renewed for three years, 7 March, 1401–2.
[2] The prior and convent of Southwick were the impropriators.
[3] He succeeded Melton as schoolmaster at Winchester college in October, 1394.
[4] I. q. sedandâ.

License granted to Thomas Marchall of Houghton, for his private chapel, for two years.—Wolvesey, 26 July, 1401.

Citation of ds. Hugh Rycheman, r. of Kimpton, and m. Richard Benet, v. of Amport, in consequence of a dispute between them as to the tithe of grain in the vills of Liteltone, Kymptone parva, and Estshotesdene.—Waltham, 27 July.

[336 b.] Mandate for dean of Sombourn to sequestrate tithes of Salmisfelde, Middelfelde, and Hakelyngfelde, in the deanery of Sombourn, in dispute between the prior of Mottisfont and the vicar of Ashley.[1]—*Ib.*, 2 Aug.

Indulgence granted to such as should relieve William Hunter of Winchester, "chepman," and Alice his wife, they being poor and in debt.—Southwark, 21 August.

Dimissory for William Hay and John Charles, canons of Merton, to priest's orders.—Esher, 24 August.

Dispensation for Robert Westyntone, r. of Bramdean (vol. i, p. 228), from the obligations of residence and proceeding to priest's orders for four years.—Same date.

Augmentation of pension of r. of Alverstoke, where a co-adjutator had been appointed :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto in Christo filio m. Johanni Elmere, officiali nostro, coadjutori domini Roberti Lincoln, r. ecclesie parochialis de Alwerstoke, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Licet aliàs cum vos prefato Roberto rectori coadjutorem deputaverimus, assignavimus duntaxat eidem Roberto rectori decem libras de ipsius ecclesiâ predictâ per vos annuatim solvendas, ac eciam ordinaverimus, quod solucio summe predicte inciperet in festo pasche, datâ nostre deputacionis in coadjutorem extunc proximè secuturum, prout in literis nostris super deputacione vestrâ huiusmodi factis clariùs poterit apparere; nos tamen ipsius [337 a.] indigencie, quam se pati asserit in presenti, compassionis modo volentes providere, vobis mandamus, quatenus de fructibus dicte ecclesie de Alwerstoke centum solidos ultra summam priùs dicto Roberto per nos, ut premittitur, allocatam hâc vice ad

[1] Later, the dean certified that the tithe had been carried away after sequestration by persons who said they were acting under orders from the prior or the vicar, they would not say which.

ipsius domini Roberti comodum et utilitatem levari faciatis, ac huiusmodi summam centum solidorum persolvi faciatis realiter eidem.—*Ib.*, 9 Sept., 1401.

Notice for Reginald Jurdan, warden of St. Mary Magdalen's chapel, Kingston-on-Thames, of impending visitation on the Monday after St. Faith (6 October).—Esher, 11 Sept.

Commission to m. John Elmere the official, m. John Ketene, and m. Walter Aude, to visit the chapel.—*Ib.*, 8 Oct.

Further commission, adding the names of John Barnet, Nicholas Ryssheton, and William Styvecle.—Same date.

[337 b.] Injunctions, issued at Esher, 16 Oct., after the visitation :—

Imprimis, ut divinum officium in capellâ vestrâ predictâ juxta ipsius capelle ordinaciones et statuta deceterò devociùs celebretur, vobis firmiter injungendo mandamus, quod misse omnes et singula in ordinacione predictâ pleniùs contente eciam et expressè, secundum intitulacionem earundem diebus singulis celebrentur, nisi cecitas capellanorum, prout modernis temporibus contingit, aut alia impotencia, sive impedimentum huiusmodi obsistat, quo dicte misse valeant celebrari ; tuncque loco missarum huiusmodi, que per capellanos huiusmodi non poterunt celebrari, commemoraciones earundem missarum dici precipimus in capellâ superiùs memoratâ.

Item licet secundum ordinaciones nostras et statuta officium mortuorum cum comendacione animarum, septem psalmi penitenciales necnon quindecim graduales cum letaniâ in dictâ capellâ vestrâ a dicte capelle vestre custode et capellanis simul dici debeant in comuni ; hoc tamen a vobis non fuerit debitè observatum : vobis igitur in virtute obediencie et sub vestri debito juramenti in vestrâ et cuiuslibet vestrûm primariâ admissione prestiti injungimus et mandamus, quod ordinaciones et statuta edita in hâc parte observetis.

Item injungimus et mandamus, quod pro animabus fundatorum dicte capelle in singulis missis vestris ipsis finitis, necnon post prandium cotidie in mensâ post gracias Deo redditas dicatur hec clausula sequens :—*Anime Johannis, Edwardi, et Roberti Lovekyn, fundatorum nostrorum et domini Willelmi episcopi*

Wyntoniensis[1] *omniumque fidelium defunctorum per Dei misericordiam in pace requiescant*, prout ex ordinacionibus et statutis vestris estis firmiter obligati. Et, ut meliùs sciatur hec clausula, ac futuris temporibus promptiùs dicatur, que a multis retro temporibus negligenter est omissa, injungimus et mandamus quod predicta clausula scribatur de grossâ literâ in duabus tabulis in parietibus capelle et aule citra festum Omnium Sanctorum post datam presencium firmiter affigendis.

Item, quia compertum est, quod facultates dicte capelle augentur et augmentantur ad valorem decem marcarum annuatim ultra collata in fundacione capelle antedicte, firmiter injungendo mandamus, quod citra festum pasche proximò futurum custos dicte capelle faciat et nobis ostendat clarum compotum de proventibus et exitibus quibuscunque capelle superiùs memorate, ut sic liquere poterit, an facultates suppetant ad augmentacionem numeri capellanorum supradicte prout eius statuta requirunt.

Item injungimus dicto custodi, quod exhibeat clarum statum et inventarium de bonis dicte capelle citra festum pasche proximò futurum plenariè et fideliter, secundum fundacionem et ordinacionem eiusdem capelle, et in quibus pecuniarum summis dicte capelle nomine ex mutuo tenetur, ac in quos et quales usus convertit easdem.

Item injungimus et mandamus, quod custos prefatus domos et edificia ad dictam capellam pertinencia tam in villâ de Kyngestone quam in civitate Londoniensi, que ruinis graviter deformantur, faciat debitè reparari, nullosque extraneos introducat aut ab aliis introduci permittat, ad onus capelle superiùs memorate.

Item injungimus et mandamus, quod custos predictus fieri faciat capellanis dicte capelle suppellicia munda et honesta cum amiciis nigris furruris furratis citra festum pasche proximò futurum, sub penâ viginti solidorum elemosine pauperum juxta nostram disposicionem applicandorum, sicque deceterò suppellicia et amicias ipsis et aliis pro tempore existentibus inveniat, secundum ordinacionem et fundacionem dicte capelle editas in hâc parte.

[338 a.] Item inhibemus, quod nullus vestrûm frequentet deceterò tabernas in villâ de Kyngestone aut alibi, nec in-

[1] Bp. Edyndone.

grediatur aliqualiter easdem, nisi cum honestâ comitivâ et non suspectâ, ex causâ racionabili, necessariâ ac eciam evidenti, aut aliquas personas male fame seu suspectas infra cepta dicte capelle receptet vel eciam introducat deceterò quovismodo.

Item injungimus et mandamus, quod custos predictus fideliter solvat capellanis dicte capelle salarium eorundem a retro existens in statutis et ordinacione dicte capelle eisdem limitatum citra festum Natalis Domini proximò futurum ; ac quod deceterò fideliter fiat solucio dicti salarii diebus ac terminis in dictâ ordinacione prefinitis ac eciam limitatis, sub penâ perjurii, prout ex ordinacione predictâ firmiter est astrictus.

Item injungimus et mandamus, quod custos predictus faciat inveniri dictis capellanis clericum competentem ad ministrandum eisdem in eorum missis, et ad deserviendum ipsis in cameris eorundem.

Item injungimus et mandamus, quod dictus custos aut quivis alius de capellanis predictis libros, calices, vestimenta, seu alia dicte capelle ornamenta, terras, possessiones, redditus, aut alia quecunque ad dictam capellam spectancia non vendat, donet, obliget, seu ad firmam dimittat, quocunqueve alienacionis titulo distrahat vel alienet, absque nostrâ vel episcopi Wyntoniensis, successoris nostri pro tempore existentis, licenciâ speciali, prout in ordinacione et fundacione dicte capelle cautum est expressè.

Et ne dicte capelle ordinaciones et statuta a vestrâ vel successorum vestrorum memoriâ transeant sive decidant imposterùm per ignoranciam eciam vel abusum, vobis in virtute obediencie firmiter injungendo mandamus, quod ad minus semel singulis quarteriis anni facias in dictâ capellâ ordinacionem et fundacionem capelle huiusmodi inter vos legi et exponi publicè in comuni. Literas verò, injuncciones, et inhibiciones sigilli nostri munimine roboratas vobis transmittimus sub modis et formis premissis futuris temporibus observandas, et coram vobis semel in anno ex nunc imperpetuùm in dictâ capellâ plenè, distinctè, apertè ac publicè recitandas, nequis vestrûm super premissis, vel eorum aliquibus, ignoranciam pretendere valeat eciam vel causari ; premissa omnia et singula corrigendi, emendandi, eisdemque addendi et detrahendi, necnon super compertis in dictâ visitacione nondum correctis procedendi, ordinandi et diffiniendi, prout dictaverint canonice sancciones, nobis potestate semper salvâ.

Dimissory for f. Henry Weskewith and f. Peter Fuller, canons of St. Mary Overy, *ad omnes.*—Esher, 22 Sept., 1401.

License granted to John Champflour, *domicellus*, for a private chapel during the bishop's pleasure.—*Ib.*, 22 Oct.

Reference to Elmere, the official, Robert Ketone, and Walter Aude, to inquire who should provide a chaplain to serve the chapel of Thorpe.[1] They [338 b.] held an inquiry which was attended by Thomas Culverdone, abbot of Chertsey, and Richard Wokingham, prior, and John Barnet, one of the monks, as proctors for the convent; William Bayly, v. of Egham; and Henry Webbe, proctor for the parishioners, and awarded by consent that there should be a chaplain, as of old, living with the vicar of Egham in his manse, or at Thorpe, and supported by the fruits or oblations of the chapel, to celebrate divine service there.

[339 b.] License of non residence for three years granted to r. of Bentworth (vol. i, p. 200), to study.—Farnham, 10 Nov.

Dimissory for John Bullok, acolyth, *ad omnes.*—Waltham, 18 Nov.

Appointment of John Wykeham, John Fraunceys, and John Blake, or any one of them, as proctors to visit Rome for the bishop.—Same date.

Dimissory for m. Rolland Thornburgh, v. of Steventon (vol. i, p. 233) *ad omnes.*—*Ib.*, 4 Dec.

Bull dimissory, granting to the warden and scholars of Winchester College the privilege of ordination at the hands of any bishop of the Catholic church.[2]

Bonifacius episcopus, servus servorum Dei, dilectis filiis custodi et scolaribus collegii per venerabilem fratrem nostrum Willelmum episcopum Wyntoniensem prope Wyntoniam instituti, presentibus et futuris, salutem et apostolicam benediccionem. Exigit precipue devocionis sinceritas, quam venerabilis frater

[1] A place midway between Egham and Chertsey.

[2] By the constitution *Eos qui* of archbp. Edmund, A. D. 1236, a man could only be ordained by the bishop of the diocese in which he was born, without a dimissory letter, which this bull supplied the place of for College candidates.

noster Willelmus, episcopus Wyntoniensis, ad nos et Romanam gerit ecclesiam, ut votis suis, in hiis presertim per que quieti et utilitatibus vestris consulatur, favorabiliter annuamus. Exhibita siquidem nobis nuper ex parte dicti episcopi peticio continebat, quod ipse olim ex licenciâ sedis apostolice prope Wyntoniam in loco ad id congruo et honesto de bonis sibi a Deo collatis unum collegium *seinte Marie College of Wynchestre* vulgariter nuncupatum pro septuaginta pauperibus scolaribus clericis, qui collegialiter vivere et in grammaticalibus studere deberent, instituit, ac pro huiusmodi collegio unam domum cum capellâ seu oratorio fundari et construi fecit, illamque dotavit, et in ipso collegio unum presidentem, qui *custodem* eiusdem collegii nuncuparetur, posuit et eciam deputavit.

Quare pro parte prefati episcopi nobis fuit humiliter supplicatum, ut vobis et successoribus vestris, custodibus et scolaribus eiusdem collegii, qui pro tempore fuerint, ut literarum studio liberiùs et efficaciùs insistere valeatis, quod a quocunque malueritis catholico episcopo graciam et communionem a sede apostolicâ habente ad omnes minores et eciam sacros ordines promoveri liberè et licitè valeatis imperpetuum, diocesanorum seu ordinariorum locorum, vel aliorum quorumcunque super hoc licenciâ minimè requisitâ, concedere, de specialis dono gracie dignaremur.

Nos igitur, huiusmodi supplicacionibus inclinati, vobis eisdemque successoribus vestris, quod a quocunque malueritis catholico episcopo, graciam et communionem apostolice sedis habente, ad omnes minores et eciam sacros ordines, statutis tamen a jure temporibus, promoveri liberè et licitè valeatis, diocesanorum seu ordinariorum locorum, vel aliorum quorumcunque, super hoc licenciâ minimè requisitâ, constitucionibus apostolicis, necnon statutis et consuetudinibus contrariis quibuscunque nequaquam obstantibus, auctoritate apostolicâ de speciali graciâ tenore presencium indulgemus.

Nulli ergo omnino hominum liceat hanc paginam nostre concessionis infringere, vel ei ausu temerario contraire. Si quis autem hoc attemptare presumpserit, indignacionem Omnipotentis Dei et beatorum apostolorum Petri et Pauli eius se noverit incursurum.

Romae, apud S. Petrum, xj Kal. August. pontificatûs nostri anno secundo (July 22, 1391).

[340 a.] Allegation by sir Almaric St. Amand, kt., in a cause of subtraction of tithe, promoted by the master (John de Campeden) of St. Cross hospital against sir Almaric, and carried on appeal from the Arches court to the Roman court, of a grant of Seintecrosmede to the hospital in substitution for the tithes on Bowemede, Depemede, and Wodelondemede in the parish of Twyford; and certificate by the bishop of search in vain in the diocesan registers for any such grant.[1]—Esher, 24 Sept., 1401.

Commission to John Hulyn, provost of St. Elizabeth's college, and John Payn, r. of Sombourn, to survey precincts of the hospital, dated at Esher, 26 August, 1401, and return after local inquiry held at the hospital, 9 September, same year, before John Melton, master of Magdalen hospital; William Werkman, receiver of St. Mary's abbey; Richard Cully, r. of St. John's in the Soke; Robert Crambourne, warden of Holy Trinity chapel near St. Mary's abbey; Roger Glastone, r. of St. Laurence; William Drake, r. of St. Michael's, Kingsgate Street; John, r. of St. Peter Cheeshill; Walter, r. of St. Mary de Kalendis; Walter Benfelde, r. of All Saints; Richard Holte, r. of Chilcomb; John Lamport, pr.; Thomas Tyny, r. of Compton, and Thomas Beche, John Barbour, Walter Wychere, Richard Spenser, and John Worthy, laymen, all of whom were sworn, and found the boundary line to run from the south-western corner of the orchard of the hospital known as "Northgardyn," along the ditch and including it northwards to the house of William Aleyn of Sparkford,[2] and passing behind it along the ditch eastwards to the south of Aleyn's garden and the garden held by Alice Clerc of Sparkford under St. Cross hospital, and so on to the main river known as "Ichenstreme," then due south to a point opposite the northern corner of the meadow of the hospital, known as "Pykemede" or "Seintecrosmede," which it includes; then from the far corner of that meadow eastwards, including the bed of the main river, as far as the northern corner of the meadow; then on to the old bed of the river, but not including it, south-eastwards along the eastern boundary of the

[1] The tithe of the parish of Twyford was impropriated to St. Cross hospital.

[2] The name of the parish, now known as St. Faith's from the dedication of its parish church, in which the hospital of St. Cross is situate. It is still called Sparkford in the land tax assessment.

meadow to its south-eastern corner; then along the old bed of the river, including certain pastures of the hospital known as "Millemedes," to the southern corner of the meadow of the hospital known as "Southmillemede," which lies south-west of the water mill of the hospital known as "Seintecrossemille"; then from the southern corner of "Southemillemede" north-westwards beyond the king's highway to the south-eastern corner of the meadow of the hospital known as "Frythmede," and including it; then westwards along a small stream,[1] but not including it, as far the south-western corner of that meadow; then on north-eastwardly along and including a ditch, as far as the south-eastern corner of an orchard of the hospital, known as "Connyger," and including it; then westwards, along and including the ditch, to the north-west corner of the said orchard; then eastwards as far as the eastern corner of the wall of the close of the hospital, including it, and so on northwards, along and including a small "lake," to the northern corner of a garden of the hospital, occupied by William Carter, but not including it; then along and including the said lake, eastwards beyond the highway, and so back to the south-west corner of the "Northgardyn."

They also found that the premises comprised in the said precinct were:—Northgardyn orchard, 3½ acres; annual value, 3*s.* 6*d.*: Pykemede *alias* Seintecrosmede, 5 acres, of which 1½ acres were rushy, marshy, waterlogged, and useless for hay, and 3½ were good for hay; annual value, 9*s.*: Homegardyn, containing 1½ roods and 4 perches; annual value, 12*d.*: Wortgardyn,[2] ½ acre and 1 perch; annual value, 12*d.*: Gretmullemede, 1 acre 1 rood 16 perches; annual value, 2*s.* 6*d.*: Lytulmullemede, 9 perches; annual value, 6*d.*: Southmullemede, 27 perches; annual value, 4*d.*: Frythmede, 4 acres and 12 perches; annual value, 10*s.* 8*d.*: Connyger orchard, 4¼ acres and 19 perches; annual value, 4*s.* 5*d.*: Letulpicl[3] garden, 12 perches; annual value, 4*d.*: [342a.] the graveyard (*cimeterium*) 1 rood 28 perches; annual value, 6*d.*: Portersgardyn, 12½ perches; annual value, 4*d.*: Coweslese,[4] near Gretmullemede, 3½ acres 8 perches; annual

[1] Per quemdam lacum: a "lake" or "carrier" in the meadows.
[2] Qy., colewort or cabbage garden.
[3] Little pightle. "Pightle" is "particula terre," a parcel of ground.
[4] Cowleaze, a cow pasture. So "Eweleaze," "Hogleaze."

value, 3*s.* 6*d.*: also the church of the hospital, with its buildings and three watermills[1] thereto belonging. All the aforesaid orchards, gardens, lands, etc., were granted to the hospital on its original foundation by Henry de Blois,[2] to hold in pure and perpetual alms for ever.

Inhibition of Walter Strenger, warden of Sandon hospital (vol. i, p. 232), from felling timber for sale.—Waltham, 12 Dec., 1401.

Mandate to dean of Fordingbridge and two of his chaplains to cite John Heldene and John Prins, carpenters, and William Noloth and Agnes Wolastone, all of Fordingbridge, on a charge of laying violent hands on William Gyfford, the chaplain of Fordingbridge, *sua virilia nequiter amputando.*—Same date.

[342 b.] Commission by the bishop, as one of the conservators of the privileges of the order of friars minors, to m. John Barnet, official principal, Thomas Stowe, dean of St. Paul's, Philip Rypendone, prior of St. Bartholomew's, Smithfield, William Sonday, and William Styvecle, "ad cognoscendum et procedendum de et super quibuscunque molestacionibus, injuriis, et violenciis manifestis et notoriis fratrum ordinis supradicti in civitate London., contra tenorem privilegiorum suorum et ipsorum ordini a sede apostolicâ indultorum, ut dicitur, illatis . . . —Same date.

Appointment of John Arnold, *pro bono servicio suo quod nobis hactenus impendit et infuturum impendet*, to be apparitor-general. —Waltham, 1 Jan., 1401–2.

Dimissory for ff. William Bybury and John Odyham, subdeacons, and Nicholas Wokkynge, John Blokle, Laurence Man, and Richard Wyltone, monks of Chertsey, *ad omn.*—Farnham, 12 Nov., 1401.

[343 a.] Dimissory for John Hulle *ad omnes minores et sacrum subdiaconatûs ordinem, etc.*—Waltham, 12 Dec., 1401.

License granted to Richard Trenchard to hear divine service in his own oratory, wherever situate in the diocese, during the next two years.—*Ib.*, 3 Jan., 1401–2.

Similar license granted to Robert Chalmele during the bishop's pleasure.—*Ib.*, 31 Jan.

[1] *i.e.*, a watermill with three pairs of stones. [2] See pp. 38, 42.

Leave of absence for two years granted to r. of Cliddesden (William Lok, vol. i, p. 201), in order to be in attendance on m. Nicholas Wykeham.—*Ib.*, 2 Feb., 1401–2.

Renewal of penitancers' licences throughout the diocese in usual form, with r. of Shirbourne St. John instead of r. of Hannington in deanery of Basingstoke.—*Ib.*, 3 Feb.

Reference to m. John Elmere, the official, and Robert Ketone to report on a complaint that certain canons of Christchurch Twynham, viz., Roger Miltone, John Andrew, John Manere, Thomas Portelonde, John Wymborne, Thomas Snoke, and Thomas Corfe, laxato freno religionis penitus et abjecto, contra ipsorum et dicti prioratûs priorem et alios ipsorum ac cuiuslibet eorundem in dicto prioratu superiores conspiraverunt, et super sacrosancti Corporis Dominici sacramento conjurârunt, atque adinvicem confederati fuerunt perperam, nequiter, et maliciose, ac in conspiracione, conjuracione, et confederacione predictis de manuum violentâ injeccione enormi in priorem et alios superiores predictos, fugâque ipsorum apostaticâ, bonorum et jocalium dicti prioratûs asportacione sacrilegâ et furtivâ, ac aliis nephandis et dampnabilibus criminibus inter se tractârunt, deliberârunt, et spiritu diabolico insimul concordârunt.—*Ib.*, 19 Feb.

[343b.] The commissioners held the inquiry, with the priors of Mottisfont and St. Denys as assessors, and after finding all the accused except Snoke deserving of deprivation, moderated their sentences thus :—Miltone, who is described as *intolerabilis inter fratres, susurro, detractor, et prioris sui predicti criminator sive delator, ac discordie inter eundem priorem et suos confratres ac alios de partibus generosos, in scandalum dicti prioris ac grave dampnum dicti prioratûs, seminator ac perpetarius,*[1] *et bonorum communium furator*, was sentenced to removal to another priory in the diocese, there to undergo penance.[2] John Manere, a man *magne astucie, dolosus, periculosus, et contumeliosus et consiliarius dicti perniciosi viri Johannis Andrew*, received a similar sentence, and both were to be kept in solitary confinement. The others were sentenced to undergo penance in their own priory, and to be disqualified for holding any office for two years.—Sentences published 13 March, 1401–2.

[1] Apparently the same as perperus, a wrong doer. [2] See p. 542.

[346 a.] Revision by the bishop of sentence on Corfe, Wymborne, and Portelonde—quod ad claustrum ponantur, quodque illud eis egredi non liceat aut cum aliquo loqui seculari nisi cum vestrâ aut supprioris dicti prioratûs licenciâ speciali, usque ad festum S. Michaelis archangeli proximò futurum; ac quod singulis sextis feriis usque ad festum S. Trinitatis proximò futurum disciplinas palam in capitulo recipiant a presidente, ac primâ sextâ feriâ, quâ huiusmodi recipient disciplinam, a toto conventu disciplinentur humiliter et devotè; quodque per idem tempus stallis suis careant in choro, ac inter minores et novicios habeant loca sua, cum quibus eciam per tempus predictum minora et inferiora peragere debeant ministeria; quodque singulis sextis feriis per unum annum immediatè sequentem dicti Thomas Corfe et Johannes Wymborne in pane, cervisiâ, et potagio, ac dictus Thomas Portelonde in pane et aquâ jejunent.

Volumus insuper, quod prefati Johannes Wymborne et Thomas Portelonde infra duos annos proximò sequentes non recipiant aliquas pecunias in propriis personis. Et, quia ocium et voluptas arma sunt hostis antiqui ad miseras animas captivandas, volumus, quod cuilibet de dictis canonicis laborem scribendi libros comunitati vestre utiles seu necessarios vestro arbitrio limitandos per unum annum vice nostrâ arciùs injungatis, ac ad premissa omnia peragenda districtè compellatis; ad que vobis committimus vices nostras, cum cuiuslibet cohercionis canonice potestate.—*Ib.*, 22 March.

Similar sentence on John Manere.—Waltham, 3 July, 1402.

[353 b.] John Andrew and the other canons having taken proceedings for false imprisonment against the prior in the Arches court, the prior is discharged from further observance, and the matter remitted by the archbishop to the bishop at St. Cross hospital, 8 Feb., 1402–3.

[344 a.] Sir John Lysle, kt., and Elizabeth his wife, licensed to hear service in their private oratory during one year.—Wolvesey, 7 March, 1401–2.

[344 b.] Dimissory for monks of Beaulieu, Richard Wynchecombe to priest's orders, Richard More, John Romeseye, and John Wynchecombe to subdeacon's orders.—Waltham, 28 March.

License to ds. John Kyngestone, capellanus, to perform divine service in the chapel of Cranbourne in the parish of Wonston, and to administer the sacraments to his servants and tenants, John Pyperwhyt and Joan his wife, during the pleasure of the bishop.—*Ib.*, 21 March, 1401–2.

Commission to Thomas, bp. of Crispolis, to dedicate the chancel at Twyford, the high altar there, the high altar at Fareham, and two portable altars for ds. Thomas Lavyngtone, r. of Meonstoke.—*Ib.*, 7 March.

Appointment of John Colmer and Thomas Dene of Chidden in the parish of Hambledon to collect the fruits of the vicarage of Hambledon, Hants, until Christmas Day.—*Ib.*, 19 April, 1402.

John Fynche and Agnes his wife[1] licensed to hear divine service in the oratory of their mansion at Iwode in the parish of Basing during two years.—*Ib.*, 28 May.

Mandate directed by Lewis, bp. of Volterra, the papal collector, to the bishop, to monish the archdeacon of Winchester and a number of other clerics in arrear with Peter pence, first fruits and procurations; and return dated Waltham, 18 May.

[**345 a.**] Publication of Archbishop's mandate dated at Charing, 10 January, ordering prayers "pro aëris serenitate, necnon negociis domini nostri regis, regnique sui Anglie, ad laudem Dei, et eorundem regis et regni comodum et honorem, ac populi tranquillitatem et pacem prosperè dirigendis," with grant of forty days' indulgence.—*Ib.*, 4 Feb., 1401–2.

[**346 b.**] Suffragan's commission granted, 13 Feb., 1401–2, to Thomas Butiller, bp. of Crispolis.

[**347 a.**] Joan Wodelok, being seised in fee tail of a moiety of the manor of Kilmeston, which she held of the bishop by the tenure of knight service, granted it to certain persons for lives, and then died, leaving an infant heir in tail. Copy record of an action by the bishop, claiming the custody of the moiety during the infancy of the heir as against sir Almaric de St. Amand, who claimed it in right of the grantees for lives. Verdict for plaintiff, in Michaelmas Term, 3 Hen. IV. Damages, £100.

[1] The name of Agnes Fynche occurs in an undated rental of the early part of the fifteenth century for the manor of Basingstoke, of which lands and tenements called Iwode were held.—Millard's *History of Basingstoke*, p. 378.

In another action between the same parties, rotulo CII, the jury found that Thomas, grandson and heir in tail of Joan Wodelok, was under the age of twenty-one years and unmarried; and they assessed the damage sustained by the bishop at £60, if he could have found a marriage for the infant, and at 1000 marks, if he could not.[1]

The abbess of Romsey, dame Lucy Everard (vol. i, p. 202), licensed to hear divine service in her oratory during one year, in the presence of one of the sisters and her servants (familia).—21 Aug., 1402.

[349a.] Dimissory for Walter Alisaundre, deacon, to priest's orders.—Waltham, 18 Sept.

Grant of forty days indulgence to such as should contribute to the building of the church of Kingsclere.—*Ib.*, 22 Sept.

Writ declaring certain estates to be appropriated to the maintenance of the convent of Hyde, so as not to come into the hands of the king on a vacancy of the abbacy:—

Rex omnibus ad quos, etc., salutem. Sciatis, quod cum compertum sit per inquisicionem coram Henrico de Popham, Thomas Illestone, Roberto Hamptone, escaetore nostro in com. Sutht. et vicecomite nostro eiusdem comitatûs de mandato nostro captam et in cancellariam nostram retornatam, quod conventus Abbatis de Hydâ juxta Wynton. tenent, ipsique et predecessores sui a tempore quo non extat memoria tenuerunt, de porcione suâ separatim a porcione abbatis loci predicti maneria de Suthese,[2] Tytelescombe,[3] Heghtone,[4] Doneghtone,[5] Wynterbourne,[6] Anne Abbatis,[7] Fughlertone,[8] Lekford,[9] Wortynge,[10] Oures,[11] Byketone,[12] Preishawe,[13] Broun Candevere,[14]

[1] In tenure by chivalry or knight service, where the heir was under age, the lord was entitled to the custody or wardship of the person and estate of the heir, without accounting for the profits, till the age of twenty-one in males and fourteen in females; and he was also entitled to the right of marriage, that is to say, the right of charging what he could either for his consent to a match, or for not insisting on a match. Here £60 was the estimated price which the bishop might have got for the marriage, and a thousand marks the estimated profit which the bishop might have derived from the wardship, if he had not found a marriage for the ward.

[2] Southease, 4 miles from Lewes. [3] Telscombe. [4] Heighton.

[5] Duncton, now Downton, a place near Lymington.

[6] Winterbourne Monkton, 9 miles S. of Salisbury, see Liber de Hyda, Rolls ed., p. 352.

[7] Abbot's Ann. [8] Fullerton, at junction of rivers Test and Anton.

[9] Leckford. [10] Worting, near Basingstoke. [11] Ower, near Romsey.

[12] Bighton. [13] Preshaw, near Bishop's Waltham. [14] Brown Candover.

Norhamptone,[15] Estrattone,[16] Aultone,[17] et Pudele Trenthide[18] cum pertinenciis; terram de la Frylonde,[19] pratum de Newetone[20] juxta Wherwell; redditum unius pipe vini provenientem de terris vocatis Lauma[21] et Preishawe; redditus de Draytone,[22] Hidebourne Worthy,[23] Tacchebury,[24] Ludshulve,[25] et Rudbrygge[26]; ac redditum de priore de Lantoni[27] in com. Glouc., necnon diversos redditus et possessiones cum pertinenciis infra civitatem Wynton. et in Sokâ Wynton:

Nos volentes ob reverenciam Dei et beati Petri, in cuius honorem abbacia predicta, que de fundacione progenitorum nostrorum quondam regum Anglie et nostro patronatu existit, construi dinoscitur et fundari, ac ad instantem prosecucionem et specialem requisicionem dilecti nobis in Christo Johannis de Eynesham, nunc abbatis loci predicti, securitati et indempnitati prioris et conventûs loci predicti futuris temporibus, ut ipsi meliùs et quieciùs divinis obsequiis insistere et vacare, et pro salubri statu nostro ac regni nostri devociùs et attenciùs exorare valeant, graciosè providere; de graciâ nostrâ speciali ac pleno advisamento et assensu consilii nostri volumus et concedimus pro nobis et heredibus nostris prefatis abbati, priori, et conventui et successoribus suis, quod maneria, terra, pratum, redditus, et possessiones predicta, aut aliqua parcella eorundem, que sustentacioni et porcioni eorundem prioris et conventus intitulata et assignata ac a porcione prefati abbatis discreta, divisa, et separata existunt, et a tempore quo non extat memoria, ut premittitur, extiterunt, in aliquibus vacacionibus abbacie predicte qualitercunque seu quâcunque de causâ, occasione, vel colore abbaciam illam vacare, seu temporalia eiusdem in manum nostram, vel heredum nostrorum, capi, seisiri, vel esse contigerit in manum nostram vel heredum nostrorum futuris temporibus, nullatenus capiantur sive seisiantur, nec quod escaetor, vicecomes, aut aliquis alius officiarius, ballivus, vel minister noster, vel heredum nostra-

[15] Northington, near Alresford.
[16] East Stratton. [17] Alton Eastbrook. [18] Piddletrenthide, 8 miles from Dorchester.
[19] Freeland, a manor in Piddletrenthide lower tithing.
[20] Newton Stacey, midway between Winchester and Andover.
[21] Lomer, a manor in parish of Exton (vol. i, p. 371).
[22] Drayton, a tithing in parish of Barton Stacey, 2 miles S. of Longparish.
[23] Headbourne Worthy, near Winchester.
[24] Conjecturally Tachbury, in parish of Eling, near Southampton.
[25] Litchfield, 3½ miles N. of Whitchurch. [26] Redbridge, near Southampton.
[27] Lantony priory (vol. i, p. 395).

rum se inde in vacacionibus, seu alio tempore huiusmodi nomine nostro vel heredum nostrorum colore officii sui, aut aliter quolibet, intromittat; sed quod dicti prior et conventus et successores sui in singulis vacacionibus abbacie predicte ac aliter, quandocunque temporalia eiusdem abbacie quibuscunque de causis in manum nostram, vel heredum nostrorum, cepi, seisiri, vel esse contigerit, ut predictum est, omnia et singula maneria, terram, pratum, redditus, et possessiones predicta cum pertinenciis, unà cum bonis et catallis suis super ea existentibus, in manibus suis propriis ad opus suum proprium pacificè et quietè retinere et habere, ac omnia et singula exitus et proficua inde proveniencia plenè et integrè percipere, et de eisdem maneriis, terrâ, prato, redditibus, possessionibus, exitibus, proficuis, bonis, et catallis liberè pro comodo suo disponere et ordinare possint absque impedimento nostrî vel heredum nostrorum, justiciariorum, escaetorum, vicecomitum, coronatorum, aut aliorum ballivorum seu ministrorum nostrorum vel heredum nostrorum quorumcunque imperpetuum, advocacionibus ecclesiarum ad temporalia predicta pertinentibus sive spectantibus nobis et heredibus nostris in vacacionibus huiusmodi semper salvis. In cuius rei, etc.—Westminster, 22 July, 22 Ric. II.

[**349 b.**] License granted to Richard Holmeche and Agnes his wife, for their private chapel at Hook, in the parish of Odiham, for three years.—*Ib.*, 16 Sept., 1402.

License of non-residence for one year granted to ds. William Sturmynstre (vol. i, p. 235), r. of Mottisfont.—*Ib.*, 9 Oct.

Archbishop's summons, dated at Otford, 1 Sept., 1402, to convocation at St. Paul's, on 21st October, transmitted to prior of Winchester cathedral and [**350 a.**] the archdeacons, 30 September.

Appointment of proctors to represent the bishop in parliament at London, beginning, Quia nos corporali molestiâ et infirmitate ad presens propediti in parliamento apud Westm. in crastino exaltacionis Sancte Crucis ultimò preterito ordinato et usque ad crastinum Sancte Michaelis proximò futurum eciam apud Westm. prorogato interesse personaliter non valemus.[1]—*Ib.*, 27 Sept.

[1] This parliament sat seven weeks after the morrow of St. Michael, to which it was prorogued.—*Walsingham* ii, 254.

[350 b.] Appointment of proctors to represent the bishop in the convocation summoned for 21 October.—*Ib.*, 14 October.

Grant of custody of the rectory of Brown Candover to ds. Walter Suell, v. of Chilton Candover (vol. i, p. 229), and Richard Berde, of Preston Candover, on the ground of the rector's insanity—quod ds. Robertus, rector parochie de Broun Candevere, nostre diocesis, nonnullos actus furiosos in ecclesiâ suâ predictâ ac locis aliis eiusdem nostre diocesis aliquamdiu publicè exercuit atque gessit etc.—Same date.

Commission of inquiry whether John, son of John Gerard, of Lambeth, be a bastard or no, pursuant to writ tested by W. Gascoigne apud Westm. xij^{mo} die Julii anno regni nostri tercio.

Return that he was legitimate.

[351 b.] Record of judgment for plaintiff in an action brought by the bishop to restrain the abbot of Hyde from diverting one of the branches of the river Itchen by means of a new cut, to the prejudice of the bishop's tenants :—

Memorandum, quod in quôdam placito moto per reverendum, etc., contra Johannem, abbatem de Hydâ, occasione diversionis recti et antiqui cursûs cuiusdam aque in le Hide juxta Wynton., ad nocumentum liberorum tenencium ipsius episcopi in Sokâ Wynton., dictus reverendus pater recuperavit contra dominum abbatem per judicium, et trencheam diversionis aque predicte obtinuit obturari sumptibus dicti abbatis, ut patet in recordo de communi banco de termino supradicto, anno Henrici IIIJ^{ti} tercio, Ro. CCCCLIJ.

Mandate of bishop of Volterra, the papal collector, touching Peter pence and other papal dues in arrear, dated [352 a.] London, 2 November, 1402. Transmitted to archdeacons from Waltham, 7 November. Return 18 January, 1402–3.

License of non-residence for one year granted to Robert Newetone, r. of Nether Wallop (vol. i, p. 228).—Waltham, 1 Oct., 1402.

Mandates to archdeacons for pensions in arrear, viz.: Newton Valence, six years at 5*s.*; Hursley, twenty-eight years at 13*s.* 4*d.*; Witley, four years at 6*s.* 8*d.*; Dorking, twenty-eight years at 20*s.* —*Ib.*, 18 Oct.

License granted to Roger Miltone, a canon of Christchurch Twynham, to enter a stricter rule of religion :—

Willelmus, etc., dilecto filio priori, etc., s. g. et b. Licet certi nostri commissarii, nostrâ auctoritate legitimè procedentes, quemdam fratrem Rogerum Miltone, dicti vestri prioratûs canonicum professum, pro certis ipsius demeritis ad aliam domum eiusdem ordinis decreverimus canonicè transferendum pro penitenciâ in domo huiusmodi, juxta demeritorum suorum huiusmodi exigenciam debitè peragendâ :

Quia tamen, ut accepimus, dictus f. Rogerus Miltone ad frugem melioris vite, ac pro temporis sui redempcione religionem proponit ingredi arciorem : vobis igitur, ut prefato f. Rogero arciorem religionem, ut premittitur, ingrediendi licenciam concedere valeatis, ac eidem f. Rogero, ut religionem huiusmodi valeat profiteri, decreto dictorum commissariorum nostrorum huiusmodi non obstante, liberam in Domino tenore presencium concedimus facultatem et licenciam specialem.—*Ib.*, 3 Nov.

Renewal of suffragan's licence for another year to bp. of Annadown.—*Ib.*, 14 Nov., 1402.

[352 b.] Licence of non residence for two years granted to Valentine Mory, r. of Titsey, at request of sir John Searle.—*Ib.*, 4 Nov.

Memorandum, that on the 6th of the same month Richard Tystede, son and heir of Richard Tystede deceased, did homage to the bishop for his fee at Westmeon in the hundred of Sutton, in the following words :—

Jeo deviegne votre home de ceo jour enavant de vie et de membr et de trieu honour et foy vous portera de les terres et tenementz queux jeo tiegne de vous, et suites et services a mesmes les terres et tentz appurtenantz loialment ferra, sauve le foy q jeo doy a notre sieur le roy. Si Dieu me aide et touz ses Seintz.

Deputation of Richard Elys to be constable of Farnham Castle.—*Ib.*, 27 November.

Confessor's license granted to Thomas Pentynge, prior of the Carmelite house at Winchester.—*Ib.*, 3 Dec.

Dimissory for m. Ralph Grenehurst, having the first tonsure, *ad omnes.*—*Ib.*, 6 December.

Licenses for private oratories granted to William Wynforde, 16 December; and to Thomas Pauncefot and wife, 4 Jan., 1402–3.

License of non-residence for two years granted to Adam Mory, r. of Buckland (vol. i, p. 227), in order to be in attendance on prioress of Easeborne.—*Ib.*, 31 Dec.

Presentation of William Lane, r. of Brycham (Bircham), Norfolk, on exchange with m. Walter Mably, r. of Ivinghoe.—*Ib.*, 4 Jan., 1402–3.

Papal license to the bishop to appoint coadjutors:—

Bonifacius episcopus, servus servorum Dei, venerabili patri Willelmo, episcopo Wyntoniensi, salutem et apostolicam benediccionem. Inter solicitudines varias quibus assiduè premimini, illa continuè pulsat et excitat mentem nostram, ut circa statum ecclesiarum omnium cure nostre divinâ providenciâ commisarum, ne in spiritualibus et temporalibus detrimenta sustineant, quantum nobis ex Alto permittitur, salubriter providere curemus. Sanè peticio pro parte tuâ nobis nunc exhibita continebat, quod cum tu senio et valetudine corporali adeo gravatus et impeditus existas, quod officium pastorale tue ecclesie Wynton. tibi commissum nequeas, prout velles, sufficienter exercere, pro parte tuâ nobiscum fuit humiliter supplicatum, ut pro tuis pace et quiete ac dicte ecclesie utilitate, quod unum vel plures coadjutorem vel coadjutores per te eligendum seu eligendos absque venerabilis fratris nostri archiepiscopi Cantuariensis metropolitani tui, et dilectorum filiorum capituli Wyntoniensis, seu alicuius alterius, consilio vel assensu, tibi assumere, ac illos, quociens tibi placuerit, amovere, et loco amoti vel amotorum huiusmodi alium vel alios deputare valeas, tibi concedere de benignitate apostolicâ dignaremur.

Nos igitur prefate ecclesie, ut feliciter gubernetur, ac tuo statui salubriter providere cupientes, huiusmodi supplicacionibus inclinati, fraternitati tue unum vel plures coadjutorem vel coadjutores huiusmodi auctoritate nostrâ assumendi ac deputandi, ac huiusmodi coadjutori seu coadjutoribus per te, ut prefertur, deputando vel deputandis huiusmodi coadjutorie officium exercendi, ita quod, eodem officio coadjutorie durante, deputandus seu deputandi huiusmodi de fructibus, redditibus, et proventibus

mense tue episcopalis Wyntoniensis moderatos sumptus recipere possint et debeant, tuque huiusmodi deputandum vel deputandos, quociens tibi videbitur, amovere, et loco huiusmodi amovendi vel amovendorum alium seu alios coadjutorem vel coadjutores assumere et deputare valeas, plenam et liberam concedimus tenore presencium facultatem.

Volumus autem, quod deputandus vel deputandi huiusmodi ab alienacione quâlibet bonorum immobilium et preciosorum mobilium dicte mense quomodolibet faciendâ penitus se abstineant, quodque de gestis et administratis per eos seu eorum aliquem in huiusmodi coadjutorie officio juxta constitucionem felicis recordacionis Bonifacii pape viij, predecessoris nostri, super hoc editam[1] teneatur seu teneantur reddere racionem, quodque antequam huiusmodi coadjutorie officium incipiat seu incipiant exercere, de non alienando bona seu jura dicte mense et aliàs huiusmodi coadjutorie officium fideliter exercendo in tuis manibus prestet seu prestent corporaliter juramentum. Nulli ergo homini, etc. Dat. Romae, apud S. Petrum, xj Kal. Aug., pontificatûs nostri anno secundo (July 22, 1391).

Nicholas Wykeham and John Elmere appointed coadjutors:

Quarto die mensis Januarii a.d. millesimo CCCC secundo venerabilis pater Willelmus episcopus antedictus in camerâ suâ superiori infra manerium suum de Suthwaltham, Wynton. dioc., situatâ personaliter existens legi fecit literas apostolicas predictas per m. Johannem Elmere. Et statim assumpsit et deputavit coadjutores vigore literarum huiusmodi venerabiles viros mm. Nicholaum Wykeham et dictum Johannem Elmere, tunc ibidem presentes, et exegit ab eis juramentum, de quo cavetur in literis antedictis; qui prestiterunt corporaliter juramentum in manibus dicti patris de non alienando bona seu jura dicte mense, et aliter huiusmodi coadjutoris officium fideliter exercendo juxta formam et essenciam literarum predictarum, quatenus non fuerint impediti; presentibus venerabilibus viris mm. Roberto Ketone et

[1] Datio coadjutorum episcoporum et suorum superiorum est de maioribus causis, et spectat ad solum papam; preter cum episcopus senio vel infirmitate perpetuâ impeditur, de consensu capituli sui vel maioris partis sibi auctoritate apostolicâ unum vel duos coadjutores assumere: et si demens fuerit, capitulum aut due partes ipsius hoc faciet. Sed si episcopus contra dicit, tunc nil innovabit capitulum, sed episcopus et ecclesia condicionem, quam citò poterit, intimabit pape. Et coadjutores illi sumptus moderatos habebunt proventibus prelatorum ipsorum.—Sexti, lib. iii, tit. v.

Waltero Aude, dnis. Willelmo Nortone et Johanne Knyght, ac Johanne Arnold et Willelmo Doune, auctoritate apostolicâ notariis publicis, etc.

Et ab illo die omnia processerunt de consensu et auctoritate expressis eorundem coadjutorum.

[353 a.] Memorandum, that on January 27th a mandate was sealed, dated at Marwell, 11 September, 1395, changing the feast of the dedication of the church of Abbot's Ann from the Sunday next after the Assumption of the Virgin Mary, to the Sunday next after the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, with forty days' indulgence to such as should attend the feast.

Deputation of Thomas Wyot to be bailiff of Wargrave.—Waltham, 2 Feb., 1402–3.

[353 b.] License granted to John Levanthorpe and Katherine his wife for a private oratory during three years.—*Ib.*, 10 Feb., 1402–3.

Commission to claim clerks incarcerate and commit them to Wolvesey gaol granted to dean of Winchester and rectors of St. John in the Soke and St. Laurence.—*Ib.*, 16 Feb.

Penitancers' licenses renewed for a year, with substitution of r. of Mapelderham (m. John Wykeham, vol. i, p. 210) for v. of East Meon.—Same date.

M. Robert Ketene appointed penitancer general for the diocese, *in omnibus casibus reservatis*, for one year.—*Ib.* 24 Feb.

Dimissory for monks of Chertsey abbey, viz., John Hermondesworthe, Nicholas Wockynge, and Laurence Man, deacons, and Henry Weston, John Otenel, Thomas Landon, Richard M'felde, and Peter Stoke, *primam tonsuram habentes, ad omnes.* —*Ib.*, 1 March.

The churches of St. Martin and St. Petrock in Calpe street,[1] Winchester, being ruinous, order made that the parishioners should attend the church of St. Alphege, at the northern end of that street, and pay tithe to the rector:—

In Dei nomine, Amen. Quia nos Willelmus, etc., tam ex notorietate facti permanentis, quam per inquisicionem quam

[1] Now St. Thomas Street.

super hoc ex habundanti fieri fecimus diligentem, luculenter et manifestè comperimus, quod ecclesie parochiales S. Martini et S. Petroci in Calpstrete, nostre [354 a.] civitatis Wynton., olim constructe et edificate necnon situate, ipsarum vetustate et antiquitate totaliter corruerunt, ac funditùs a diu est sunt collapse; quodque eedem ecclesie ob parochianorum et populi diminucionem et defectum ex pestilenciis et aliis variis casibus contingentes reparate aut reëdificate minimè existunt, nec de earum reparacione aut reëdificacione speratur aliqualiter infuturum.

Nos igitur Willelmus, etc., ad quem cura et ordinacio ecclesiarum nostre diocesis ex officii nostri debito noscitur pertinere, volentes infra fines et limites antiquos dictarum ecclesiarum et parochiarum habitantibus et comorantibus, necnon larem foventibus, seu quevis loca, unde decime aut alia jura parochialia infra easdem parochias preveniunt, occupantibus indempnitati prospicere, et ipsorum animarum saluti, prout nobis ex curâ suscepti regiminis incumbit, debitè providere, cause cognicione et juris ordine in hâc parte requisitis in omnibus adhibitis et eciam observatis, tenore presencium ordinamus, statuimus, et diffinimus, quod omnes et singuli presentes et futuri infra dictarum ecclesiarum SS. Martini et Petroci fines et limites antiquos habitantes, comorantes, et larem foventes, et specialiter occupatores et inhabitatores hospicii religiosorum virorum abbatis et conventûs de Tychefelde, quod Willelmus Sergeant, serviens publicus dicte civitatis, dudum occupavit, et in quo nunc moratur et larem fovet Cristina relicta eiusdem, necnon habitatores cotagiorum ex parte australi hospicii supradicti eidem contiguorum; inhabitantes eciam et larem foventes in hospicio bone memorie Hugonis Cran,[1] civis, dum vixit, dicte nostre civitatis, in quâcunque parte eiusdem hospicii comorentur, quod quidem hospicium nunc tenet et inhabitat Isabella relicta eiusdem, infra antiquos fines et limites supradictos notoriè constitutorum, ecclesiam S. Alphegi in fine boreali de Calpstrete situatum finibus et limitibus dictarum ecclesiarum S. Martini et S. Petroci viciniorem ac magis propinquam, ut ipsorum ecclesiam parochialem, quam quidem ecclesiam ipsis pro parochiali assignamus, exerceant et frequentent ac inibi omnia jura parochialia subeant et solvant continuè in futurum: necnon quod decime

[1] See note p. 422.

quecunque infra dictas parochias SS. Martini et Petroci provenientes et proventure rectori ecclesie S. Alphegi predicti, qui nunc est, et pro tempore fuerit, adeo plenè et integrè persolvantur, sicut dictarum ecclesiarum SS. Martini et Petroci rectoribus solvi consuerunt et debuerunt ab antiquo, dum ipse ecclesie in suo statu integrè permanserunt; hâc nostrâ ordinacione usque ad redintegracionem ipsarum ecclesiarum semper duraturâ.

The above order was made by the bishop "in camerâ suâ superiori infra manerium suum de Suthwaltham pro tribunali sedens," 3 March, 1402–3.

[354 a.] Commission directed to m. Thomas Hursele, r. of St. Mary's over Northgate, and dean of Winchester to execute above order.—3 March, 1402–3.

[354 b.] License granted to Isabel, widow of Hugh Cran, in consideration of her great age, to hear divine service at the charnel (in capellâ de charnell juxta atrium ecclesie nostre Wyntoniensis situatâ domui habitacionis tue propinquâ[1]); and to Robert Wagham, *capellanus*, to officiate, without prejudice to the rights of the r. of St. Alphege.—6 March, 1402–3.

Later in the day the said Robert Wagham was sworn before m. Walter Aude not to administer sacraments at the charnel except as above, and particularly not to the inhabitants of the abbot of Tichfield's tenement or the adjoining cottages.

Dimissory for Stephen Sextayn,[2] subdeacon, *ad omnes.*—*Ib.*, 16 March.

License granted to John Pyperwhyte, and Joan his wife, for their oratory at Sutton Scotney in the parish of Wonston, to be served by a curate of the parish church.—*Ib.*, 21 March.

[355 a.] License granted to William Faucener and Margery his wife for the chapel in their mansion at Kingsclere.—*Ib.*, 26 March, 1403.

License granted to v. of Carisbrooke to let the house of residence for two years on condition of residing in the parish and officiating.—Same date.

[1] This charnel is marked on the map of the south-east quarter of Winchester before 1383 in the *Obedientiaries of St. Swithun's Priory, Winchester.* The doorway in the wall of the churchyard running westwards from the western front of the Cathedral is probably the doorway of this charnel. It is only 375 feet distant from the nearest point of Calpe Street. It is called St. Mary *in Atrio S. Swithuni*, vol. i, pp. 162, 366.

[2] Scholar of Winchester college, 1398; Fellow of New college, 1399–1400.

Dimissory for Robert Dorkyngge,[1] acolyth, *ad omn.*

R. of Lingfield licensed to marry Reginald Courtays of Wragby and Margaret, daughter of Sir Reginald de Cobham, kt., in the chapel of the Castle at Cherbourg.—*Ib.*, 17 April, 1403.

Dispensation *super defectu natalium* granted to Thomas Botulgod.[2]—*Ib.*, 23 April.

Faculty to pull down and rebuild wall of north aisle of Romsey minster from transept to porch in order to enlarge the aisle.[3]

Willelmus, etc., dilectis in Christo filiis vicario perpetuo ecclesie parochialis de Romeseye, nostre diocesis, ac universitati parochianorum eiusdem ecclesie, s. g. et b. Racionabilibus ac honestis supplicum votis, illis presertim, que in divini cultûs tendunt augmentum, et per que popularis augetur devocio, favorabilem et benignum decet prebere assensum. Sanè exhibita nobis pro parte vestrâ peticio continebat, quod ecclesia vestra parochialis antedicta, que ecclesie conventuali de Romeseye noscitur esse contigua, utpote sita in alâ boreali eiusdem, adeo stricta et arta existit, quod cum vos ad ipsam diebus dominicis et festivis pro divinis officiis audiendis in eâdem, ut tenemini, convenitis et acceditis, vos propter loci artitudinem non potestis ibidem congruè recipi, nec decenter inibi collocari.

Hinc est, quod nobis humiliter supplicâstis, ut prosternendi exteriorem parietem ale predicte a muro transversali eiusdem ecclesie ex dictâ parte boreali usque ad porticum eiusdem ecclesie ex eâdem parte boreali se pretendentem, ut fabricam dicte ecclesie faciatis ampliorem necnon pulcriorem, quo comodiùs et decenciùs ibidem recipi valeatis, dignaremur licenciam elargiri. Nos igitur, attendentes quod in ecclesiis non homini set Deo paratur habitacio, et quod Judei, qui umbre legis deserviebant, ipsorum templa, in quibus tum offerebantur hostie animalium mortuorum, mirificè adornabant, ac quod multò magis nos, quibus veritas patefacta et gracia, et veritas per Ihm Christum data est, decorem domûs sue, in quâ celestis hostia vera et viva, ipse scilicet Unigenitus celestis Dei Filius, in altari offertur pro nobis manibus sacerdotum, summo cordis affectu et studio ardenti diligere edocemur.

[1] Scholar of Winchester college, 1399–1402. [2] Scholar of Winchester college, 1394–5.
[3] This aisle served as the parish church. See p. 183.

Considerantes eciam numerositatem populi utriusque sexûs parochianorum ecclesie vestre predicte ac villam de Romeseye, in quâ ipsa ecclesia parochialis unica existit, locum fore insignem, et ecclesiam sepedictam pro loco huiusmodi ac tantâ multitudine populi fuisse et esse minimè decentem, seu eciam competentem, premissis et aliis nostrum animum in hâc parte moventibus, debite ponderatis, vestram intencionem laudabilem in Domino commendantes, vobis dictam parietem borialem, ut fabricam eiusdem ecclesie vestre parochialis faciatis ampliorem necnon pulcriorem, sic, ut prefertur, diruendi licenciam concedimus specialem. Ita quod vos parochiani ipsius ecclesie parochialis novum opus per vos sic, ut prefertur, faciendum vestris propriis edificetis ac sustentetis sumptibus preter et expensis.—*Ib.*, 10 May, 1403.

[356 a.] Letter to abbess and convent of Romsey—monemus et in Deo exortamur ut in premissis dictis vicario et parochianis vos exhibeatis favorabiles preter et benignas.—*Ib.*, 11 May.

Commission to mm. Robert Ketone and Walter Aude to proceed in the matter of the augmentation of the vicarages of Chertsey and Egham.—*Ib.*, 19 May.

[356 b.] Rector of Calbourne admonished not to allow his chaplain to perform divine service in chapel at Newtown.—Esher, 26 Nov., 1395.

License granted to abbess and nuns of St. Mary's abbey, Winchester, to hear divine service in their new Lady chapel—audiendi divina in novâ capellâ choro ecclesie ipsarum contiguâ in honorem beate Marie constructâ per unum annum et xv septimanas, viz., a festo S. Michaelis proximo futuro per annum integrum.—Esher, 14 June, 1403.

Grant of forty days' indulgence for subscribers to repair the highway at Mannesbrigge, leading to Southampton.—*Ib.*, 8 July.

Mandate to archdeacon of Surrey to admonish the prior and convent of Newark to augment the vicarage of Weybridge.—*Ib.*, 17 July.

[357 a.] License granted to Richard Trenchard for an oratory for two years.—*Ib.*, 6 Aug.

Grant of forty days' indulgence to benefactors of St. Brendan's chapel, Bristol, or of Reginald Taillour, a poor hermit there, during two years from date.—*Ib.*, 17 Aug., 1403.

Mandate for prayers for peace.—Same date.

Commission directed to abb. of Quarr and r. of Niton to inquire into conduct of Love, archpriest of Barton oratory, who "archipresbyterum se pretendens, de apostasiâ, sacrilegio, adulterio et fornicacione et aliis criminibus magnis et enormibus infamatus, vitam ducit enormiter dissolutam, ac, ut asseritur, facultates ipsius domûs dilapidat indies et consumit."[1]—*Ib.*, 25 Aug.

[259 a.] Similar commission in the matter of the prior of Carisbrooke.—*Ib.*, 8 Oct.

[358 a.] Publication of archbishop's mandate, dated at Canterbury, 12 July, ordering prayers "pro pace et tranquillitate ecclesie regis et regni Anglie prosperè dirigendis."—Date wanting.

[358 b.] Summons to convocation at St. Paul's on 6th day of October next by mandate from Archbishop, dated at Worcester, 5 September. Robert Faryngtone, John de Campeden, and others, appointed proctors for the bishop.—*Ib.*, 19 Sept.

Suffragan's commission granted to John, bp. of Annadown[2] during the pleasure of the bishop.—*Ib.*, 22 Sept.

[359 a.] Dimissory for William Basynge, subdeacon, to deacon's and priest's orders.—*Ib.*, 3 September.

[359 b.] Mandate from Lewis, bp. of Volterra, to the bishop in the matter of Peter pence and other papal dues in arrear; and return dated 18 Jan., 1403–4.

[360 a.] License granted to Walter Hoke and Isabel his wife for an oratory during the pleasure of the bishop—*Ib.*, 2 Nov., 1403.

Dimissory for ff. Richard Leyney and William Dunmowe, of St. Thomas the Martyr's, Southwark, *ad omnes.*—*Ib.*, 5 Nov.

Dimissory for John Kylly, deacon, to priest's orders.—*Ib.*, 9 Nov.

[1] Cardinal Beaufort's action in getting the oratory dissolved and its possessions annexed to Winchester college a generation later, must have been justified by the corrupt condition of the oratory.—See *Archæologia*, lii, p. 290.

[2] John Brill.

License for an oratory granted to John Nortone and Joan his wife for one year.—*Ib.*, 17 Nov., 1403.

Proceedings on election of Warden Bouke at New college :—

Vacante collegio Beate Marie de Wynton. in Oxon., *Seinte Marie college of Wynchestre* vulgariter nuncupato, per mortem m. Ricardi Malford,[1] in artibus magistri et sacre theologie scolaris, ultimi custodis eiusdem, qui vicesimo die mensis Octobris anno domini millesimo cccc^mo^ tercio diem suum clausit extremum, eiusque corpore postmodum reverenter, ut decuit, ecclesiastice tradito sepulture, petitâ insuper a reverendo patre domino Willelmo, etc., licenciâ novum custodem eligendi et obtentâ, vicecustos et socii universi dicti collegii ad eleccionem futuri custodis collegii predicti procedentes, discretum virum m. Johannem Haselegh,[2] in artibus magistrum et sacre theologie scolarem in ipsorum et dicti collegii elegerunt custodem. Subsequenter, eleccione huiusmodi eidem m. Johanni juxta formam statutorum dicti collegii presentatâ, ut suum eleccioni huiusmodi prestaret consensum, idem m. Johannes se insufficientem ad dictum custodis officium occupandum asseruit, ac omni juri sibi competenti vacacione eleccionis predicte verbo tenus renunciavit. Unde vicecustos et socii antedicti, huiusmodi renunciacione eis intimatâ, ad novam eleccionem futuri custodis collegii predicti iteratò precedentes discretum virum m. Johannem Bouke,[3] in artibus magistrum, et in sacra theologiâ studentem, juxta formam et tenorem dictorum statutorum elegerunt. Ac subsequenter eleccionem huiusmodi in scriptis redactam, sigilloque communi dicti collegii sigillatam, dicto reverendo patri, in manerio suo de Suthwaltham existenti, per m. Robertum Thurbarn (*sic*) socium collegii predicti,[4] in artibus magistrum, in presenciâ m. Johannis electi predicti presentârunt, ipsâque eleccione per dictum reverendum patrem receptâ idem reverendus pater diligenter examinavit eandem. Et, quia invenit, ut dixit, eleccionem huiusmodi juxta formam statutorum dictorum, et infra tempus in eis statutis limitatum, rite in omnibus celebratam, prefatum m. Johannem Bouke prefati collegii prefecit in custodem, regimen et gubernacionem collegii memorati in spiritualibus et temporalibus ac personarum eiusdem sibi plenariè committendo sub hâc formâ :—

[1] Fellow of New college, 1386–93; warden, 1397–1403.

[2] Fellow of New college, 1386–93; r. of St. Michael's, Cornhill, and dean of Chichester.

[3] Fellow of New college, 1388–1403.

[4] Fellow of New college, 1388; warden of Winchester college, 1413–40.

In Dei nomine, Amen. Presentatâ nobis eleccione de personâ tuâ in custodem collegii nostri beate Marie Wynton. in Oxon. vacantis noviter factâ, quia invenimus te virum providum et discretum, literarum scienciâ, vitâ, et moribus meritò commendandum, in spiritualibus et temporalibus plurimùm circumspectum, triginta annos etatis habentem, prout dicti collegii ordinaciones et statuta exigunt et requirunt, necnon modum et formam in eleccione custodis collegii predicti per eadem nostra ordinaciones et statuta requisita in eleccione de te factâ fuisse et esse debitè observatos. Idcirco te preficimus in custodem nostri collegii supradicti, regimen et gubernacionem ipsius collegii in spiritualibus et temporalibus, ac personarum eiusdem, tibi plenariè committentes.

Et scripsit prefatis vice custodi et sociis, quatenus eundem m. Johannem ad administracionem debitam admittentes sibi humiliter intendant eique obediant, et reverenciam debitam exhibeant, ac ipsius salubria monita et mandata juxta ordinacionem statutorum collegii supradicti prompte spiritu humilitatis suscipiant. Qui quidem m. Johannes Bouke statim post prefeccionem suam huiusmodi tactis et inspectis sacrosanctis Dei evangeliis sub formâ in statutis dicti collegii contentâ corporaliter prestitit juramentum coram reverendo patre predicto, et habuit literas testimoniales super profeccione suâ sub eâdem formâ quam habuit m. Ricardus Malford eius predecessor immediatus. —*Ib.*, 13 Dec., 1403.

Deputation of John Combe to be usher of the pavilion on St. Giles' Hill.[1] :—

Universis presentes literas visuris vel audituris Willelmus Wykeham permissione divinâ Wynton., episcopus salutem in Domino. Noverit universitas vestra quod nos, attendentes obsequium laudabile, quod dilectus nobis Johannes Combe nobis et ecclesie nostre Wyntoniensi impendit, et ipsum impendere posse credimus infuturum, dedimus et concessimus eidem Johanni officium hostiarie papilionis sive pavilionis tempore nundinarum S. Egidii in suburbio civitatis nostre Wynton., habendum et tenendum dictum officium prefato Johanni de nobis et successoribus nostris ad totam vitam ipsius Johannis, percipiendo a nobis et successoribus nostris vadia et feoda pro dicto officio consueta. In cuius rei testimonium, etc.—*Ib.*, 9 Nov.

[1] The booth in which the bishop's court of summary procedure was held during the fair.

[361 a.] Mandate of archbishop of Canterbury, in a cause of subtraction of tithe of fish and chickens, promoted by m. John Wykeham, r. of Crondall, against the prior of Winchester cathedral, to search the register of bp. Edyndone for an award of the bishop in the matter; and return thereto, transmitting copy of the award.

[361 b.] Mandate to officials of archdeacons, dated 15 November, to recover certain arrears of pensions by St. Lucy, then next.

Commission directed to dean of Droxford and r. of Warnford to monish the vicars of Hambledon, Hants, and East Meon, to return into residence.—*Ib.*, 24 Nov., 1403.

Certificate for exonerating the prioress and convent of Wintney from the moiety of the tenth, stating that the priory is a house of poor nuns, heavily incumbered; and has appropriated the church of Herriard by virtue of an ordinance made in bp. Orlton's time.—*Ib.*, 12 Jan., 1403–4.

[362 a.] Exemplification of letters patent of bp. Stratford, dated 20 December, 1333, confirming the following letters patent of bp. Wodelok, dated on St. Margaret's day (22 February), 1312–13, granting common of pasture for sixteen oxen in the bishop's pasture at Burghclere to the rector, in lieu of a similar right of common at Wood Garston:—

Universis sancti matris ecclesie filiis presentes literas inspecturis f. Henricus, permissione divinâ Wynton. episcopus, salutem in domino sempiternam. Quia constat nobis, quod rector ecclesie de Burghclere, a tempore fundacionis dicte ecclesie, sede Wynton. plenâ ac eciam vacante, sexdecim boves ubique in pasturâ cum bobus nostris et predecessorum nostrorum de Burghclere habere debuit et cum eisdem communicare de jure ad ecclesiam suam spectante consuevit, ac nos m. Hugonem Tripacy nunc rectorem dicte ecclesie a communâ suâ predictâ boum suorum quam habuit nobiscum in fundo nostro de la Garstone[1] per tradicionem dicti fundi diversis hominibus ad profectum et utilitatem nostram et successorum nostrorum ac ecclesie nostre Wynton. per nos factam exclusimus.

[1] Wood Garston is a hamlet about four miles north-west of Basingstoke. It must be quite seven miles from Burghclere.

Volentes, ut tenemur, indempnitati dicte ecclesie de Burghclere providere, concedimus dicto m. Hugoni nunc rectori dicte ecclesie, et successoribus suis, quod in parco nostro de Altâ Clerâ et alibi, ubicunque boves nostri de Burghclere ad pascendum positi fuerint, liberè ponantur sexdecim boves dicti rectoris et successorum suorum, et pascantur ac communicent ibidem in recompensacionem commune sue de la Garstone, de quâ per tradicionem nostram exclusimus eundem, absque omni contradiccione nostrâ et successorum nostrorum imperpetuùm, ipsumque m. Hugonem r. de Burghclere in seisinam communicandi cum predictis sexdecim bobus suis in parco nostro predicto de Altâ Clerâ et alibi cum bobus nostris de Burghclere, ubicunque in pasturâ fuerint, pacificam posuimus. In cuius rei testimonium, etc.

[362 b.] Letters patent, dated 15 November, 1403, confirming above grant, and adding common of pasture for one hundred ewes and four rams, to compensate the rector for the loss of tithe by reason of a great part of the arable land in the parish having been emparked by the bishop—et insuper, quia magnam partem terre arabilis et frugifere de parochiâ ecclesie de Burghclere predicte, de quâ rector eiusdem pro tempore existens magnum commodum annis singulis reportare consuevit, adquisivimus, et parco nostro de Altâ Clerâ annexímus ac inclusimus in eodem, que quidem inclusio in grave dampnum ecclesie predicte cederet ac eciam redundaret, nisi racionabilis in hâc parte fieret recompensa.

Nos saluti anime nostre ac animarum successorum nostrorum consulere volentes, necnon indempnitati ecclesie de Burghclere predicte et domini Johannis Knyght, rectoris moderni eiusdem, et alterius cuiuscunque pro tempore existentis, ut tenemur, debitè providere, concedimus pro nobis et successoribus nostris, episcopis Wyntoniensibus, dicto rectori, suisque successoribus ecclesie de Burghclere rectoribus, centum oves matrices et quatuor hurtardos cum ovibus nostris in omnibus pasturis nostris infra fines et limites dicte parochie sue existentibus, preter et ultra centum oves et unum hurtardum quos prius habuit et nunc habet ex concessione predecessorum nostrorum et chaceam suam pro ovibus et hurtardis huiusmodi per omnes pasturas a festo S. Michaelis usque ad mediam Quadragesimam.

Ita tamen quod post mediam Quadragesimam ultra pasturas

que sunt in defenso chaceam suam non habeat, set alibi per vias in campos in dictâ parochiâ suâ existentes, ubicunque sibi placuerit, eisdem modo et formâ in omnibus, prout sibi licet et licuit uti et facere, cum centum ovibus et uno hurtardo predictis. Et ut hec omnia perpetue firmitatis robur obtineant, etc.

Appointment of proctors, as before, to attend parliament for the bishop.—*Ib.*, 10 Jan., 1403–4.

Suffragan's commission granted to Thomas, late bishop of Carlisle,[1] for a year.—Same date.

Simon, v. of Farnham, appointed ad absolvendos parochianos suos in casibus reservatis, etc., for one year.—*Ib.*, 4 Feb.

License granted to sir Robert Denny, kt., and wife, for their private chapel during one year.—*Ib.*, 10 Feb.

[363 a.] Certain monks of St. Swithun's appointed penitancers during the pleasure of the bishop.—*Ib.*, 13 Feb.

Letter from the bishop to his official to discharge an inhibition obtained by certain disorderly persons of the parish of St. Margaret's, Southwark, against whom the office of the bishop was promoted.—*Ib.*, 14 Feb.

License to m. Thomas Montagu, dean of Sarum, to exhume the corpse of lady Margaret, his mother, at Warblington, for removal to Selwood priory.—*Ib.*, 15 Feb.

Penitancers appointed: for archdeaconry of Surrey, m. John Baltone, v. of Kingston-on-Thames; for deanery of Southampton, m. Walter Aude; for deanery of Isle of Wight, m. Nicholas, r. of Niton; and for the diocese, m. Robert Ketone, all for one year.—*Ib.*, 16 and 25 Feb.

License granted to Alice, countess of Kent, to appoint a confessor for herself and household, and for her oratory, for one year.—*Ib.*, 21 Feb.

Dimissory for John Thomas, acolyth.—*Ib.*, 14 March.

Presentation of ds. Thomas Kent, r. of Baldock, to church of Rimpton, on exch. with John Lynne, pr.[2]—*Ib.*, 8 March.

[1] Thomas Merks, deprived A.D. 1400 as an adherent of Richard II.—*Wals.* ii, 247.
[2] The exchange recorded, vol. i, p. 113, seems not to have taken place.

[363 b.] Summons to convocation at St. Paul's on 21 April. Dated at Lambeth, 12 March, 1404.

[364 a.] License granted to Nicholas Fitz John, *domicellus*, and Joan his wife, for oratories at their residences at Hamme and Chertsey during the pleasure of the bishop.—Waltham, 31 March.

Mm. John Elmere, the official, and Robert Ketone, commissioned to visit Wintney priory.—*Ib.*, 12 April.

Proctors appointed to appear for the bishop at convocation: mm. Thomas Stowe, William Styvecle, Robert Ketone, and Thomas Aylward.—*Ib.*, 15 April.

License for an oratory granted to Clarice Bruyntone during the pleasure of the bishop.—*Ib.*, 7 May.

Dimissory for f. Richard Hovel, deacon, a canon of Merton. —Same date.

Dimissory for monks of St. Swithun: ff. John Salesbury and John Wermenstre, deacons; Nicholas Busshopestone,[1] Richard Marlebrughe, and Richard Werdman, sub-deacons; and Rowland Hooke, acolyth.—*Ib.*, 21 May.

[364 b.] Memorandum, that when bishop Adam de Orlton received the temporals of the see, the guardians of the temporals during the vacancy did not account for profits of the churches of East Meon and Hambledon, because the king had granted those profits during the vacancy to the prior and convent of St. Swithun for the sustentation of the cathedral church;

That king Henry III granted and king Edward I confirmed to the prior and convent a sum of thirty marks yearly out of the profits of St. Giles' fair for the fabric of the cathedral church;

That the prior and convent of St. Swithun's were debarred from receiving a rent of twenty pounds per annum out of the profits of the said fair in the time of bishop Ethelmar; and that the arrears of that rent amounted to £1000 in the time of bishop Nicholas de Ely is proved by records in a chest in "le Dongeon" of the Tower of London:—

Compotus Johannis de Scures et Johannis de Hamptone de exitibus temporalium episcopatûs Wynton. vacantis per breve

[1] Scholar of Winchester college; adm. Sept., 1402.

regium patens, datum v die Februarii anno viij, per quod rex commisit eisdem Johanni et Johanni custodiam temporalium eorundem, habendam quamdiu regi placuerit: ita quod de exitibus inde provenientibus regi respondeant ad scaccarium Elie de Wadesworthe et Johannis de Fode attornatorum predictorum Johannis et Johannis vicecomitis, continetur in medio de anno x, termino S. Hillarii, pro eis, videlicet a dicto v die Februarii anno viij usque xxiij diem Septembris proximè sequentis, antequam liberata temporalia illa Ade, nuper Wygornensi episcopo, per dominum Johannem, summum pontificem, in episcopum dicti loci Wynton. prefecto, cuius fidelitatem rex cepit, et ei temporalia predicta restituit per breve regium datum dicto die Septembris, per quod rex mandavit prefatis custodibus, quod eidem prefecto temporalia dicti episcopatûs Wynton. liberarent.

Item non responderunt de redditibus assise, recognicionibus, proventibus, et aliis exitibus provenientibus ad ecclesias de Estmeone et Hameldone dicto episcopatui, ut res spirituales, appropriatis et annexis, unde in aliis vacacionibus eiusdem episcopatûs regi extitit responsum, non responderunt per breve regium, in quo continetur, quod rex xxij die Feb. dicto anno viij concessit pro se et heredibus suis, quod prior et conventus S. Swithuni Wynton. et eorum successores, cum episcopatum illum vacare contigerit, haberent custodiam dictarum ecclesiarum, et fructus, proventus, et obvenciones earundem perciperent et inde ordinarent, ac eosdem fructus, proventus, et obvenciones in utilitatem dicte ecclesie S. Swithuni converterent, absque eo, quod rex vel heredes sui, seu alii ad custodiam dictorum temporalium, dictâ sede vacante, deputandi, de dictis ecclesiis, seu fructibus et obvencionibus earundem futuris temporibus intromitterent aut aliquid inde perciperent, per quod mandavit dictis custodibus, quod predictos priorem et conventum custodiam dictarum ecclesiarum habere, fructus, proventus, et obvenciones earundem percipere et inde ordinare permittant se de eisdem ecclesiis seu fructibus et obvencionibus earundem nullatenus intromittentes.

Et solucio priori S. Swithuni Wynton. pro illis xxx marcis quas idem prior suggessit regi Henrico episcopum Wyntoniensem dedisse et concessisse priori et conventui loci predicti percipiendas singulis annis de redditibus ferie ipsius episcopi S. Egidii juxta

Wynton. in reparacionem et emendacionem ecclesie sue predicte, et quamplures episcopos loci illius successores dicti episcopi donacionem et concessionem predictas ratificâsse, ac regem E. fratrem regis huius easdem donaciones et concessiones per cartam suam confirmâsse, et quas rex mandavit prefato custodi de exitibus ferie predicte in manu regis existentis solvere per breve regium irrotulatum in memorandis de anno x Regis huius, termino S. Hillarii, et literas patentes ipsius prioris de receptis. De quibus quidem xxx marcis idem prior debet regi respondere consideracionem Baronum eò quod non sit expressa mencio in brevi predicto, quod sit voluntatis regie quod ipse prior percipere debeat predictas xxx marcas tempore vacacionis episcopatûs predicti cum fuerit in manu regis.

Item quod prior et monachi S. Swithuni fuerunt extra possessionem recipiendi quemdam redditum xx*li* de nundinis S. Egidii tempore Adhomari electi Wynton., cuius arreragia tempore suo estimabantur ad xxiiij*li* et tempore Nicholai de Ely, episcopi Wynton., cuius tempore arreragia dictarum xx*li* estimabantur ad mille libras, probatur per recorda scripta in quodam albo libro existente in magnâ coffrâ exopposito Recepti Scaccarii domini regis apud Westm., qui incipit in primo folio eiusdem in margine *In coffro de V*, et eciam incipit in primâ lineâ libri predicti bulla Martini pape quarti, in quo libro continetur processus habitus inter episcopum Wynton. et conventum S. Swithuni; et dictus processus est scriptus in folio ccxlviij et incipit sic *Copia processus habiti inter episcopum et conventum S. Swithuni de eleccione prioris eiusdem et aliis contingentibus dictum prioratum fol. ccxlviij.* Et depingitur ibidem capud S. Swithuni, data libelli porrecti per priorem et conventum S. Swithuni coram domino papâ Alexandro quarto pontificatûs sui anno, quod est anno domini MCCLV.

Et memorandum, quod munimenta concernencia materiam ipsam inventa fuerunt in Turri London. deputatâ pro libris thesaurarii regis conservandâ, vocatâ *le Dongeon*, videlicet, in alurâ super capellam ibidem in quodam parvo forcero,[2] rubeo corio coöperto, sic intitulato *Processus inter episcopum et conventum S. Swithuni, Wynton., de eleccione prioris eiusdem et aliis contingentibus dictum prioratum.* Et dictum forcerum signatum

[2] *i.q.* forgerium, *Fr.* forgier, a chest or coffer.—*Du Cange.*

est cum signo capitis S. Swithuni et mitrâ super caput eius pertractâ cum incausto signo. Et dictum forcerum fuit inventum ibidem in unâ magnâ cistâ cum quatuor clausuris separatim districtis stante in parte boreali eiusdem alure; et ibidem est in presenti.

[365 a.] Letter from the archbishop to the bishop, enjoining him to issue sequestration against a number of beneficed men, who had not complied with the summons to attend convocation on the 21st of April; dated at Maidstone, 20 May. Return dated Waltham, 18 June, 1404.

[365 b.] Commission to m. John Baltone, v. of Kingston-on-Thames, to receive the purgation of prior Strenger, of Sandon, (vol. i, p. 232), on a charge of incontinence.—Waltham, 21 June.

License granted to Thomas Brerdynge and Margaret his wife for the private chapel in their manor of Whitefield in the parish of Brading, for two years.—*Ib.*, 30 June.

Commission to claim clerks incarcerate in county of Surrey, directed to dean of Guildford, ds. John Tynchewyk, r. of Stoke near Guildford, and John Frensshe, r. of Holy Trinity, Guildford. —*Ib.*, 1 July.

Change of day of dedication feast of Cuddington:—

Willelmus, etc., dilectis filiis vicario perpetuo et parochianis ecclesie parochialis de Codyngtone, nostre diocesis, s. g. et b. Oblate nobis vestre peticionis series continebat, quod cum festum dedicacionis ecclesie supradicte tercio die proximo post festum Assumpcionis beate Marie Virginis (15 August) tempore vero messium notoriè contingenti fuerat aliàs institutum, quo tempore propter occupaciones circa messes et alias res familiares varias tunc plurimum contingentes, vos dictum festum non poteritis debitò celebrare, ipsum dedicacionis festum in dominicam proximam post octabam Assumpcionis beate Marie supradictam ex causis premissis, et ut ipsum festum comodiùs et festiviùs tunc valeat ut convenit, celebrari, transferimus presencium per tenorem; statuentes ac firmiter injungentes, ut idem dedicacionis festum in ipsâ dominicâ perpetuis futuris temporibus per rectores, vicarios, et parochianos ipsius ecclesie, qui pro tempore fuerint, festivè ac solemniter celebretur.—*Ib.*, 3 August.

William Burgh appointed proctor to pay the triennial visit to Rome.—*Ib.*, 24 August, 1404.

License of non residence granted to Roger Paternoster, r. of West Clandon, in order to be in attendance (insistendo obsequiis) on bishop of Bath and Wells.—*Ib.*, 13 September.

License granted to William Pomfret and Cecily his wife for an oratory in their mansion in the parish of Lambeth.—*Ib.*, 14 September.

WYKEHAM'S REGISTER.

PART IV.

CROWN WRITS AND RETURNS.

[1a.] INCIPIT quarta pars registri reverendi patris, domini Willelmi de Wykeham, Dei graciâ Wyntoniensis episcopi, in quâ describuntur brevia regia eidem patri directa, et responsiones ac returna brevium predictorum.

[TRANSLATION.]

Here begins the fourth part of the register of the reverend father lord William of Wykeham, by the grace of God, bishop of Winchester, containing Crown writs and the answers and returns thereto.

Writ to inquire whether Alice Hurlebath was born in wedlock :—

Edwardus Dei graciâ rex Anglie, dominus Hibernie et Acquitanie, venerabili in Christo patri Willelmo, eâdem graciâ episcopo Wyntoniensi,[1] salutem. Cum Johannes atte Hoo de Hoddesdone nuper coram dilectis et fidelibus nostris, Willelmo de Fynchedene[2] et Willelmo de Wychyngham,[3] justiciariis nostris ad assisas in com. Surr. capiendas assignatis apud Suthewerke die Sabbati in festo Animarum proximò preterito arraiasset quamdam assisam nove disseisine[4] versus Aliciam Hurlebath et alios in brevi nostro originali contentos de duobus messuagiis et decem acris terre cum pertinenciis in Lambhuthe, vestre diocesis, eadem Alicia venerit coram prefatis justiciariis nostris apud Suthwerke ad prefatum terminum, ad responden-

[1] Bishop Edyndone.

[2] William de Fyncheden, a justice of the Common Pleas, 1365; Chief Justice, 1371-4.

[3] William de Wichingham, a justice of the Common Pleas, 1365.

[4] The assise of novel disseisin was an action to recover land, in which the plaintiff averred that the defendant had disseised or dispossessed him of his freehold since the last circuit or eyre of the judges.—*Coke*, 1 Inst., 153.

dum ut tenens predictorum tenementorum, et placitaverit in barr. assise illius tanquam filia et heres cuiusdam Wymarce, unius filiarum Johannis Hurlebath; ad quod predictus Johannes atte Hoo dixit, quod predicta Alicia nullius heres esse potuerit, eò quod bastarda fuerit; et eadem Alicia ad hoc replicando dixit quod ipsa legitima fuerit, et non bastarda.

Et quia huiusmodi cause cognicio ad forum spectat ecclesiasticum, vobis mandamus, quod convocatis in hâc parte convocandis, rei veritatem in premissis diligenter inquiratis.

Et quid inde inveneritis constare faciatis prefatis Justiciariis nostris per literas vestras patentes hoc breve eis remittentes. Teste W. de Fynchedene apud Westmonasterium xij^{mo} die Novemb., anno regni nostri tricesimo octavo.

Writ of revivor, the original writ having lapsed by death of bp. Edyndone:—

Edwardus, etc., venerabili in Christo patri W., eâdem graciâ episcopo Wyntoniensi, salutem. Cum in assisâ nove disseisine, quam Johannes atte Hoo arraiavit versus Aliciam Hurlebath et alios in brevi nostro originali contentos de tenementis in Lamhuthe coram dilectis et fidelibus nostris Willelmo de Fynchedene et Willelmo de Wychyngham, nuper justiciariis nostris ad assisas in com. Surr. capiendas assignatis, prefata Alicia diversas fecerit allegaciones versus ipsum Johannem, in exclusionem capcionis assise predicte, coram justiciariis antedictis, predictus Johannes contra placitando in assisâ illâ allegaverit predictam Aliciam bastardam esse, et hoc obtulerit verificare, et ideo capcionem dicte assise retardari non debere:

Et quia dicte cause cognicio ad forum spectat ecclesiasticum per breve nostrum sub testimonio predicti Willelmi de Fynchedene mandaverimus bone memorie Willelmo, nuper episcopo Wyntoniensi, predecessori vestro, quod convocatis, etc. (as above). Et licet dictus episcopus inquisicionem illam cepit, eam tamen coram dictis Justiciariis in vitâ suâ retornare non curaverit, ad grave dampnum ipsius Johannis, et exheredacionis sue periculum manifestum:

Nos cupientes justiciam cuicunque in curiâ nostrâ adhiberi, et cum hoc sine certificacione dicte inquisicionis fieri non possit, vobis mandamus, quod scrutato registro et aliis memorandis

premissa tangentibus, que fuerunt ipsius predecessoris vestri sub custodiâ vestrâ existentibus, de eo, quod inveneritis, dilectos et fideles nostros Thomam Lodelowe[1] et Robertum Belknap, nunc justiciarios nostros ad assisas in com. predicto capiendas assignatis, constare faciatis, mittentes eis hoc breve, ut ipsi ulteriùs in assisâ predictâ procedant et justiciam partibus faciant.

Teste meipso apud Westm. 19 Oct., 43 Ed. III (1369).

The return, dated Southwark, 12 Nov., 1369:—

Venerabilibus et discretis viris, domino Thome de Lodelowe et Roberto Belknap, justiciariis domini nostri regis ad assisas in com. Surr. capiendas assignatis, Willelmus, etc., salutem et [1b.] sincere federa caritatis. Breve dicti domini regis reverenter recepimus, quod presentibus est annexum. Vigore igitur mandati dicti brevis registra predecessoris nostri immediati et alia memoranda contenta in dicto brevi tangencia sub nostrâ custodiâ existencia diligenter fecimus perscrutari, in quibus inter cetera repperimus inquisicionem super primo brevi dictam materiam tangente captam; per quam nobis luculenter apparet Aliciam Hurlebath, de quâ in dicto brevi plenior fit mencio, fuisse et esse bastardam: que vestre discrecioni innotescimus per presentes, sigillo nostro patenti signatas.

Writ of summons to a parliament at Westminster in the octave of Trinity, 1370:—

Edwardus, etc., venerabili in Christo patri, etc., salutem. Quia super quibusdam arduis et urgentibus negociis nos et statum regni nostri ac jura corone nostre concernentibus parliamentum nostrum apud Westm. in octabis S. Trinitatis proximè futuris tenere ordinaverimus, et vobiscum ac ceteris prelatis, magnatibus, et proceribus dicti regni nostri colloquium habere et tractatum: vobis in fide et dileccione, quibus nobis tenemur, mandamus, firmiter injungentes, quod omnibus aliis pretermissis, et excusacione quâcunque cessante, dictis die et loco personaliter intersitis, nobiscum et cum ceteris prelatis, magnatibus, et proceribus predictis, super dictis negociis tractaturi, vestrumque consilium impensuri.

Et hoc, sicut nos et honorem nostrum ac expedicionem negociorum predictorum diligitis, nullatenus omittatis.

[1] Chief Baron of the Exchequer, 1365–73.

Premunientes priorem et capitulum ecclesie vestre S. Swithuni Wynton. ac archidiaconos totumque clerum vestre diocesis, quod iidem prior et archidiaconi in propriis personis, ac dictum capitulum per unum, idemque clerus per duos procuratores idoneos, plenam et sufficientem potestatem ab ipsis capitulo et clero habentes, dictis die et loco intersint, ad consenciendum hiis que tunc de communi consilio regni nostri, Domino favente, ordinari contigerit, super negociis antedictis.

Scientes insuper, quod propter arduitatem negociorum predictorum procuratorem seu excusacionem aliquam, legitimo cessante impedimento, pro vobis admittere nolumus.[1] Teste meipso, etc.—Westminster, 6 April, 43 Ed. III.

Privy seal for prayers for soul of Lionel, duke of Clarence (see p. 94):—

Reverent piere en Dieu. Come notre trescher filz Leonell, nadgairs duc de Clarence, soit ia trepassez de ceste siecle a la volunte notre Sieur a ceo q nos avons receu vraie nouvelle des partiez de Lumbardie, par ou il morust: vos prions trescherment de cuer, q eant l'alme notre dit filz especialment pur recomender en voz suffrages et oresons, facer solempnement celebrer les exequies mesme notre filz, si bien en votre esglise de Wyncestre come en toutes autres esglises collegiales et conventuales de votre diocise, exemptes et non exemptes, sicost come vos semblera q la chose se purra mieux faire selonc votre prevene discrecion, decea la Chandeleure[2] prochein venant, a lonour de nous, et en aide et salut del alme avant dite; fesant faire sur ceo voz mandementez tienz come y appartient, tant as priour et covent de vestre dit esglise et as abbez, priouris, et coventz des autres esglises conventueles non exemptes, come as deans et chapitres des esglises collegiales; et requerir et garnir de notre part les abbez, priours, et coventz de les dites esglises exemptes expressement a ce faire per manere come de sus est dit, a un certain iour decea le dite Chandeleure sur ceo, pur vos a limiter selonc votre discretion susdite. Et ce en nulle maner veullez lesser pur amour de noz et sicome noz nous fions de vous.

[1] This form of writ is said to have been devised temp. Ed. I, A.D. 1295, for the purpose of bringing the clergy, not to a provincial synod but to Parliament. It requires the bishop to whom it is addressed to attend in his place in Parliament, warning him by a clause, known as the *premunientes* clause, to bring with him to Parliament the prior of his cathedral church, the archdeacons, a proctor (usually the prior) for the chapter, and two proctors for the clergy of the diocese.

[2] Candlemas.

Don souz notre prive seal a Westm. le x iour de Decembre.

Scriptum fuit priori de Wynton. et officialibus archidiaconatuum Wynton. et Surr. ad exequendum premissa, etc.

Privy seal to arm for defence of the realm :—

Reverent piere en Dieu. Come a notre darrein parlement feusse accordez, sicome vous savez, et ordeinez del assent de vous et des autres prelatez, gentz, et comunis de notre roialme dengletere q tous les homes de mesme notre roialme, sibien clercs come lays, cestassavoir chescun de eux, selonc ses estats, possessions, et facultees, seroient armez et arraiez daler par la salvacion et defense de seint eglise et de notre dit roialme [2 a.] countre noz enemys sils le veuillent entrer, pount parmy diverses nos commissions desous notre grant seal eons assignez certeins noz foialx en chescun contee de notre roialme avandit pur arraier et faire arraier et armer touz homes defensables entre les ages de seizaine et sessante anz, et pur les faire mettre en milleyns, centeynes, et vyntenes issint q les dites homes eusi armes et arraiez soient prestez et apparillez de resister a noz ditz enemys pour la salvacion et defense de leglise et roialme avantditz. Et eans ia recu certeine nouvelle, q noz ditz enemys ont apparillez et ordeinez un grand flote et armee de messieurs et galies pur faire invasion a notre dit roialme, et le destruire deinz brief, et pur endamager nous et noz subgitz a tout leur poair. Nous veullantez ove leide de Dieu purvoier en toutes maneres et a tout notre poiar a la salvacion et defense de l'eglise et roialme avanditz, et considerez coment vous et votre clergie estes aussi tenuz de votre part de resister a mesmes noz enemys en salvacion et defense de vous mesmes et de les ditz eglise et roialme, vous mandons et enjoignons en la foy et dilection es queles vous nous estes tenuz, emplorant cherment et de cuer q consideres les griefs, damages, et perils ia apparaietz come dit est, facer maintenant venes cestes selonc leffects de notre mandement a vous presentement direct dessous notre grant seal pur celle encheson armer et arraier a toute la haste q vous plus purrez touz les abbes, priours, religiouses et autres persones de seinte eglise queconques de votre diocise de Wyncestre, et les garnir darmes covenables, cestassavoir chescun esteant deins les ditz ages selonc ses estats, possessions, et

facultes, et les mettre en milleyns, centeyns, et vynteyns issint qils soient touz prestes et apparillez daler ovesque noz autres foialx deinz notre dit roialme pur contreesceer a noz ditz enemys, et les expugner et reboter, per la grace de notre Sieur. Et cestes choses preignez entierement a cuer meement per consideration de ceste presente necessite si qe per nulle voie, defaute, ne lachesse, ne y soit en vous trovez, come vous desirez notre honour et estat, et le votre garder et la salvacion et defense de leglise et roialme susditz.

Don souz notre prive seal a Westm. le vj iour de Juyl. Scriptum fuit priori Wynton. et Johanni de Ware pro archidiaconatu Wynton. et priori de Mertone et archidiacono Surr. pro. Surr. ad exequendum premissa.

[**2a.**] Privy seal to levy the triennial tenth (see p. 110):—

Reverent piere en Dieu, nous vous prions cherment q la disme triennal a notre octroie per vous et le clergie de votre diocise de Wyncestre a paier a les festes de la Purification de Notre Dame et de la Nativite Seint Johan de Baptistre per oueles portions chescun an de les trois anz proschenement ensuantz apres la feste de Seint Michel darein passe, en eide de supporter les charges touchantes la salvacion et defense de notre roialme, sicome vous savez, facez duement lever et coillir per persones covenables et suffissantz, queux vous assignez et ordenez coillours d'icelle siqe nous ent soions prestement servitz chescun an de les dites trois anz as dictes termes, come avant est dit; nous certifiant distinctement desouz votre seal en notre chancellerie, au plus en haste come vous purrez, des noms des coillurs avantditz. Et ce si nulle manere ne lesses pur amour de nous, et sicome nous fions entierement de vous.

Don souz notre prive seal a Westm. le xxvj iour Octobre.

Levari facias for arrears of tenth on Farnham rectory (see p. 138):—

Edwardus, etc., venerabili in Christo patri, etc., salutem. Mandamus vobis, quod de beneficiis ecclesiasticis rectoris ecclesie de Farnham in diocese vestrâ levari faciatis viij libras, quas nobis [**2b.**] debet de secundo anno decime biennalis nobis a clero anno regni nostri xxv^{to} pro temporalibus suis concesse; ita quod denarios illos habeatis coram baronibus de scaccario nostro

apud Westm. in crastino S. Hillarii nobis ibidem per aliquem de vestris (*sic*) solvendum. Et remittatis tunc hoc breve.

Teste T. de Lodelowe apud Westm. ix^no^ die Novembris, anno regni nostri quadragesimo primo.

Return:—Bona dicti rectoris ad valorem summe predicte fecimus sequestrari; set quia emptores non invenimus, nullos denarios levari potuimus de eisdem.

Writ for a return of aliens beneficed in diocese (see p. 106):—

Edwardus, etc., venerabili in Christo patri, etc., salutem. Volentes certis de causis nos moventibus, quod thesaurarius et barones de scaccario nostro per vos cerciorarentur, quot viri alienigene seculares et alii in diocese vestrâ ad beneficia ecclesiastica sunt promoti, et quod et quantum eorum beneficia valent, et quodlibet eorum valet, per annum, et que sunt nomina et cognomina dicta beneficia occupancium, vobis mandamus firmiter, quod de premissis omnibus et singulis et eorum circumstanciis prefatos thesaurarium et barones apud Westm. quamciciùs poteritis, et tandem in crastino clausi Pasche proxime futuri[1] distinctè et apertè reddatis cerciores, hoc breve ibidem remittentes. Teste Thoma de Brantingham, thesaurario nostro, apud Westm. xvj^to^ Januarii, anno regni nostri Anglie quadragesimo tercio, regni verò nostri Francie tricesimo.

Writ of consultation,[2] authorising bishop and official of Lincoln to proceed in a cause of divorce, notwithstanding a prohibition obtained by the respondent:—

Rex venerabili in Christo patri, etc., ac officiali archidiaconi Lincoln., salutem. Monstravit nobis Johanna Kymberleye, quod cum ipsa prosequatur coram vobis, prefate episcope, in curiâ Christianitatis ad matrimonium inter Ricardum Roberdesson de Claypole et ipsam contractum ex certis et legitimis causis devorciandum, et vos, prefate episcope, vos, prefate officialis, sub mutue vicissitudinis obtentu, et in juris subsidium, rogaveritis, quod ad testes, quos ipsa Johanna coram vobis hoc duxerit examinandum, et alia, que jus exigit in hâc parte, faciendum, in

[1] *i.e.*, on the Monday after the First Sunday after Easter or Low Sunday, on which the Paschal time ended.

[2] See page 113, note.

ecclesiâ parochiali de Claypole, infra archidiaconatum predictum, ubi predictus Ricardus, ut dixit, originem traxit, procederetis, et de repertis per vos, vobis, prefate episcope, redderetis cerciores, ut ulteriùs coram vobis, prefate episcope, in negocio predicto securiùs et consultiùs procedi possit, ut est juris; prefatus Ricardus machinans prosecucionem ipsius Johanne in hâc parte maliciose impedire, suggerensque in cancellariâ nostrâ placitum illud in curiâ Christianitatis esse de laico feodo ipsius Ricardi de Claypole, quandam prohibicionem nostram vobis, prefate officialis, ne placitum illud teneretis, coram vobis in curiâ Christianitatis, porrexit; quo pretextu vos, prefate officialis, ad premissa juxta ecclesiastica jura faciendum et exequendum hactenus procedere distulistis, et adhuc differtis, in lesionem libertatis ecclesiastice manifestam et ipsius Johanne deterioracionem manifestam et dampnum gravissimum.

Nos, nolentes cogniciones, que ad forum ecclesiasticum pertinent, per huiusmodi brevia nostra in aliquo impediri seu derogari, vobis significamus, quod vos, prefate episcope, in causâ illâ, quatenus ad matrimonium illum devorciandum coram vobis agitur, et vos, prefate officialis, ad examinandum et alia predictum negocium tangencia faciendum in formâ predictâ licitè procedere, et ulteriùs facere poteritis, quod ad forum ecclesiasticum noveritis pertinere, prohibicione nostrâ predictâ, nec aliquâ aliâ prohibicione vobis super hoc dirigendâ non obstante.

Tested at Westminster, 3 May, 44 Ed. III.

[3 a.] Writ for a return of the discharge of William Palmes under privilege of clergy:—

Edwardus, etc., venerabili in Christo patri, etc., salutem. Volentes certis de causis cerciorari, quibus die et anno Willelmus Palmes de Naburn, tanquam clericus convictus, Willelmo bone memorie nuper episcopo episcopatûs predicti, predecessoris vestri, liberatus fuerit, juxta privilegium clericale castigandum, et quando per vos ab eâdem prisonâ deliberatus fuerit, et qualiter et quo modo, vobis mandamus, quod, scrutato tam registro vestro quam predecessoris vestri antedicti, nos de eo, quod inde inveneritis, in cancellariâ nostrâ sub sigillo vestro distinctè et apertè sine dilacione reddatis cerciores, hoc breve nobis remittentes. Tested at Westminster, 5 July, 44 Ed. III.

The return :—

Registra nostra et predecessoris nostri bone memorie Willelmi, nuper Wynton. episcopi, diligenter fecimus perscrutari, et invenimus in eisdem, quod Willelmus Palmes, clericus, die S. Margarete anno regni regis E. tercii post conquestum Anglie xxx^mo^ dicto predecessori nostro tanquam clericus, juxta privilegium clericale extitit liberatus, et postmodum die veneris proximo ante dominicam in Ramis Palmarum, anno dicti regis xliiij^to^, coram comissariis nostris, de criminibus sibi in hâc parte objectis canonicè se purgavit, et sic a carcere nostro fuit deliberatus.

Writ of summons to convocation :—

Edwardus, etc., venerabili in Christo patri Willelmo, eâdem graciâ archiepiscopo Cantuariensi, tocius Anglie primati, salutem. Qualiter negocia tam nos et statum regni nostri quam necessariam defensionem eiusdem contingencia, ac onera nobis propter hoc incumbencia vobis et aliis in ultimo nostro parliamento existentibus, pleniùs exposuimus, vos non latet: ad quorum onerum supportacionem absque adjutorio fidelium nostrorum non sufficimus, sicut scitis, per quod aliquod subsidium congruum in supportacionem tantorum onerum a vobis et aliis de clero diocesis et provincie vestrarum, in dicto parliamento tunc presentibus, nobis concedi petimus, sicut urgens necessitas, et evidens utilitas id exposcunt.

Nos, ut dicta negocia, que salvacionem tam sancte ecclesie, quam regni nostri Anglie concernunt, maturiori deliberacione valeant expediri, vobis in fide et dileccione, quibus nobis tenemur, rogando mandamus, quatenus attentis tam arduitate dictorum negociorum, quam periculis, que pro defectu defensionis huiusmodi verisimiliter venire possent, suffraganeos vestros, decanos et priores ecclesiarum cathedralium, abbates, et priores, et alios electivos, exemptos et non exemptos, necnon archidiaconos, capitula, conventus, et collegia, totumque clerum cuiuslibet diocesis dicte vestre provincie, ad comparendum coram vobis in ecclesiâ S. Pauli London., vel alibi, prout expedire videritis, ad breviorem diem quem poteritis, more solito convocari faciatis, expositisque eis dictis negociis, ibidem ipsos ad aliquod competens subsidium nobis in auxilium supportacionis dictorum onerum concedendum, cum efficaciâ inducatis, et partes vestras

ad hoc effectualiter apponatis ; nos de qualitate subsidii illius, ac de termino solucionis eiusdem, certificantes.

Et hoc, sicut nos et honorem nostrum ac salvacionem et defensionem regni et ecclesie diligitis, nullatenus omittatis.—Tested at Westminster, 11 October, 43 Ed. III.

[3 b.] Writ of account against archdeacon Edyndone :—

Edwardus, etc. Quia vicecomes noster com. Surr. retornaverit ad scaccarium in octabis Purificacionis beate Marie ultimò preteritis, quod Johannes Edyndone, clericus, nullum habet laicum feodum seu aliquid in ballivâ suâ, ubi potest attachiari, set clericus est, et beneficiatus in diocese vestrâ : vobis mandamus, quod venire faciatis coram baronibus de scaccario nostro apud Westm. in crastino clausi Pasche prefatum Johannem, clericum vestrum, ad respondendum Ricardo de Raveneser, clerico et receptori denariorum Philippe, regine Anglie, consortis nostre carissime, de x^li^, quos ei debet et injustè detinet, ut dicit, sicut racionabiliter monstrare poterit, quod inde respondere debet. Et remittatis ibi hoc breve.

Tested at Westminster, 20 June, 43 Ed. III.

Return :—Prefatum Johannem de Edyndone fecimus premuniri quod die et loco in dicto brevi contentis compareat coram dictis baronibus, facturus et recepturus, quod tenor huiusmodi brevis exigit et requirit.

Writ of summons to Parliament at Westminster on Monday in first week of Lent. Tested at Westminster, 8 Jan., 44 Ed. III.

[3 b.] Writ against rector of Ewhurst, Surrey, for £14, arrears of a pension of 60*s*. due to prior of Merton :—

Edwardus, etc. Mandamus vobis, quod venire faciatis coram justiciariis nostris apud Westm. in octabis S. Hillarii Johannem Dudeforde, personam ecclesie de Iwhurste, clericum vestrum, ad respondendum priori ecclesie beate Marie de Merton de placito quod reddat ei quatuordecim libras, que a retro sunt de annuo redditu sexaginta solidorum que ei debet, ut dicit ; et unde vicecomes noster Surr. mandavit justiciariis nostris apud Westm. in octabis S. Michaelis, quod predictus Johannes clericus est et beneficiatus in diocese vestrâ, et non habet laicum feodum in

ballivâ suâ ubi potest summoniri. Et habeatis ibi hoc breve. Tested by Richard Thorp at Westminster, 14 October, 41 Ed. III.

Return :—Et premunitus est quod die et loco in dicto brevi contentis coram infrascriptis justiciariis compareat, responsurus dicto brevi et facturus quod justicia suadebit.

[4 a.] Writ of summons to a Council at Winchester in octave of Trinity :—

Edwardus, etc. Quia super quibusdam arduis et urgentibus negociis nos, statum, salvacionem et defensionem regni nostri Anglie, et navigii eiusdem regni concernentibus, quoddam consilium apud Wynton. in octabis S. Trinitatis proximò futuris teneri ordinaverimus, et vobiscum et cum ceteris prelatis, magnatibus, et proceribus dicti nostri colloquium habere et tractatum : vobis in fide et dileccione, quibus nobis tenemur, mandamus, firmiter injungentes, quod omnibus aliis pretermissis, et quâcunque excusacione cessante, dictis die et loco personaliter intersitis, nobiscum et cum ceteris prelatis, magnatibus, et proceribus predictis super dictis negociis tractaturi, vestrumque consilium impensuri.

Et hoc, sicut nos et honorem nostrum ac expedicionem negocii predictorum diligitis nullatenus omittatis. Tested at Westminster, 27 April, 45 Ed. III.

Writ of summons to parliament at Westminster in the fifteen days of St. Michael, 1374, tested by prince Richard, custos regni Anglie, at Wallingford, 1 Sept., 46 Ed. III.

Warrant for return of institutions to St. Olave's, Southwark, tested at Westminster, 23 Jan., 46 Ed. III.

Return :—Presens breve adeo tardè fuit nobis liberatum, quod illud exequi non potuimus.

[8 b.] Warrant for return of institutions since 2 Ed. III, tested at Westminster, 4 March, 47 Ed. III.

[4 b.] Warrant for return as to appropriation of Leatherhead :—

Edwardus, etc. Cum nuper de graciâ nostrâ speciali concesserimus et licenciam dederimus pro nobis et heredibus nostris, quantum in nobis fuerit, dilectis nobis in Christo priori et

conventui prioratûs de Ledes, quod ipsi ecclesiam de Ledrede, vestre diocesis, que est de advocacione suâ propriâ, ex dono et concessione nostrâ appropriare, et eam appropriatam in proprios usus tenere possent sibi et successoribus suis in liberam, puram, et perpetuam elemosinam imperpetuùm, statuto de terris et tenementis in mortuâ manu ponendis non obstante, prout in literis nostris patentibus inde confectis pleniùs continetur:

Nos volentes certis de causis cerciorari, si idem prior et conventus dictam ecclesiam appropriaverint, et eam in usus proprios teneant juxta formam concessionis predicte, necne, vobis mandamus, quod nos inde in cancellariâ nostrâ sub sigillo vestro distinctè et apertè sine dilacione reddatis cerciores, hoc breve nobis remittentes. Tested at Westminster, 20 Jan., 44 Ed. III. Return, that the church was appropriated 14 Sept., 46 Ed. III.

Warrant to appoint collectors of triennial tenth:—

Edwardus, etc. Cum vos ac ceteri prelati et clerus Cantuariensis provincie in convocacione eiusdem cleri in ecclesiâ S. Pauli London. ultimò celebratâ quandam decimam triennalem de vestris et eorum beneficiis nobis in auxilium expensarum, quas tam pro salvacione et defensione regni, quam pro expedicione guerre nostre Francie necessariè nos facere oportebit, concesseritis nobis, ad certos terminos in convocacione predictâ limitatos solvendam:

Nos volentes de dictâ decimâ triennali juxta concessionem predictam responderi, prout decet, vobis mandamus, quod aliquos viros fidedignos de clero vestre diocesis, pro quibus respondere volueritis, ad dictam decimam triennalem in dictâ vestrâ diocesi levandam et colligendam, prout moris est, deputari et assignari faciatis.

Ita quod nobis de eâdem decimâ terminis predictis respondeatur thesaurario et baronibus de scaccario nostro de nominibus illorum quos ad hoc deputaveritis, ac de terminis solucionis eiusdem decime, citra octabas S. Trinitatis proximò futuras, distinctè et apertè certificantes.

Et hoc, sicut nos et honorem nostrum, ac salvacionem regni nostri Anglie, et expedicionem guerre nostre predicte diligitis, nullatenus omittatis. Tested at Westminster, 20 April, 44 Ed. III.

Return :—Conventum monasterii de Hydâ pro archidiaconatu Wynton. et conventum monasterii de Waverle pro archidiaconatu Surr. deputavimus collectores decime predicte.[1]

Warrant for return of beneficed aliens, tested by Brantyngham, the treasurer, at Westminster, 16 July, 44 Ed. III.

[4* a.] *Fieri facias* for arrears of triennial tenth in archdeaconry of Surrey :—

Edwardus, etc. Constat nobis per inspeccionem rotulorum de scaccario nostro, quod abbas de Waverle, collector decime triennalis nobis a clero ultimò concesse in archidiacono Surr., Wynton. diocesi, oneratur in compoto ad idem scaccarium nostrum reddito de primo anno solucionis decime predicte de summis denariorum subscriptis, videlicet, de xl*s.* pro ecclesiâ de Wandelesworthe : xxxv*s.* iiij*d.* pro ecclesiâ de Batricheseye : xxiiij*s.* pro ecclesiâ de Mordone : viij*d.* pro pensione in eâdem ecclesiâ : vj*s.* viij*d.* pro ecclesiâ de Retherhuthe : ij*s.* pro pensione in eâdem ecclesiâ : vj*s.* viij*d.* pro ecclesiâ S. Georgii cum pensione : v*s.* pro ecclesiâ de Byflete : xiij*s.* iiij*d.* pro ecclesiâ de Duntesfalde : iij*d.* pro pensione in eâdem ecclesiâ : et xxvj*s.* viiij*d.* pro ecclesiâ de Lyngefelde. De quibus quidem denariis prefato collectori non est satisfactum, ut dicit.

Et ideo vobis mandamus, quod de bonis et catallis clericorum dicta beneficia possidencium in diocese vestrâ fieri faciatis denarios predictos particulariter, ut predictum est. Et eos cum sic per vos levati fuerint, prefati collectori solvi faciatis indilatè, nisi debitores predicti racionabiliter monstrare poterunt coram vobis se prius inde satisfecisse.

Et si acquietancias inde vobis ostendant, prefigatis eis diem, quod sint ad dictum scaccarium nostrum apud Westm. in crastino clausi Pasche ad recipiendum super acquietanciis illis, quod justicia suadebit et levacioni denariorum in eisdem contentorum interim supersedeatis.

Et quid inde feceritis, thesaurario et baronibus de dicto scaccario nostro ad dictos diem et locum distinctè et apertè constare faciatis. Et habeatis ibi tunc hoc breve. Tested by T. de Lodelowe at Westminster, 16 January, 44 Ed. III.

[1] See the deputation, p. 110.

Return by the abbot of Waverley :—

In rectoriis et domibus ecclesiarum de Wandelesworthe, Batricheseye, et Mordone nulla catalla seu bona a tempore recepcionis huius brevis invenire potuimus, licet omnem diligenciam ad hoc fecerimus adhiberi. Rectores verò ecclesiarum de Duntesfalde, Retherhuthe, et S. Georgii acquietancias collectoris dicte decime nostro commissario exhibuerunt de summis predictis eos tangentibus, qui prefixit eis diem et locum in dicto brevi contentos ad comparendum in scaccario domini nostri regis apud Westm. recepturis super illis acquietanciis quod justicia suadebit. Bona inventa apud Lyngefelde ad valorem xx*s.*, in ecclesiâ de Byflete ad valorem 5*s.*, fecimus sequestrari, set emptores eorum non invenimus, ideo dictos denarios, vel aliquam partem eorum, de eis levari non potuimus istâ vice.

Certiorari to bring up the record in the matter of Robert le Eyr, a clerk incarcerate[1] :—

Edwardus, etc., thesaurario et camerariis suis salutem. Cum Robertus le Eyr de Fylkyn, de com. Oxon., capellanus, nuper de diversis feloniis indictatus fuerit coram Willelmo de Shareshull[2] et sociis suis, tunc justiciariis nostris ad gaolam nostram castri Wynton. deliberandam assignatis, allocutus, et inde, quatenus clericus in curiâ nostrâ convinci potuit, convictus, et loci ordinario ibidem liberatus fuisset, ut accepimus : Nos certis de causis volentes cerciorari super recordo et processu coram prefatis justiciariis in hâc parte factis, vobis mandamus, quod scrutatis rotulis et memorandis predicti Willelmi, qui sunt in thesaurariâ nostrâ sub custodiâ vestrâ, ut dicitur, recordum et processum predicta, cum omnibus ea tangentibus, nobis in cancellariâ nostrâ sub sigillo scaccarii nostri distinctè et apertè sine dilacione mittatis, et hoc breve.

Tested at Westminster, 6 Feb., 45 Ed. III.

The return :—Scrutatis rotulis in thesaurariâ dominis regis in custodiâ nostrâ existentibus recordum et processum, de quibus in brevi fit mencio, vobis mittimus in cedulâ huic brevi consutâ.

[1] See his purgation, p. 128.

[2] Justice of the King's Bench, 1333 ; chief baron of the Exchequer, 1344 ; second justice of the Common Pleas, 1345 ; chief justice of the King's Bench, 1350–57.

[4*b.] Similar writ in the matter of Henry Middleton,[1] a clerk incarcerate. Tested at Westminster, 8 March, 45 Ed. III.

The return :—Tenorem recordi et processûs, de quo infra fit mencio, vobis mittimus in cedulâ huic brevi consutâ.

Writ transmitting the record to the bishop :—

Edwardus, etc. Tenorem recordi et processûs inquisicionis nuper capte coram, etc. (as in last writ), quem certis de causis venire fecimus, vobis mittimus presentibus interclusum, ut eo inspecto ulteriùs inde facere et exercere valeatis, prout ad officium vestrum in hâc parte noveritis pertinere. Tested at Westminster, 18 March, 45 Ed. III.

Warrant to appoint collectors of the subsidy of £50,000.[2]—Tested at Henley, 5 May, 45 Ed. III.

[5 a.] Privy seal for a return of benefices in the diocese with a view to the collection of the £50,000.[3]—Guildford, 13 May, 45 Ed. III.

Certiorari to bring up the record in the matter of John Kingeswode, a clerk incarcerate on the charge of feloniously killing and slaying Roger Bryan ; tested at Westminster, 15 May, 45 Ed. III.

Privy seal to appoint collectors of the triennial tenth ; dated at Westminster, May 20.

Venire facias for John Lorkyn, r. of St. Mary Magdalene, Bermondsey :—

Edwardus, etc. Venerabili in Christo patri, etc., salutem. Mandamus vobis, quod venire faciatis coram justiciariis nostris apud Westm. a die S. Michaelis in tres septimanas Johannem Lorkyn, personam beate Marie de Bermondeseye, clericum vestrum, ad respondendum priori de Bermondeseye de placito, quod reddat ei quatuor libras que a retro sunt de annuo redditu viginti et sex solidorum et octo denariorum, que ei debet, ut dicit. Et unde vicecomes noster Surr. mandaverit justiciariis nostris apud Westm. a die S. Johannis Baptiste in xv dies, quod predictus Johannes clericus est, beneficiatus in episcopatu vestro, et non habet laicum feodum in ballivâ suâ, ubi potest sumoniri. Et

[1] See his purgation, p. 128. [2] See p. 129. [3] See p. 133.

habeatis ibi hoc breve. Teste W. de Fynchendene x^mo^ die Julii anno regni nostri Anglie quadragesimo quinto, regni vero nostri Francie tricesimo secundo.

The return :—Johannes, r. ecclesie beate Marie Magdalene de Bermondeseye, personaliter est citatus ad diem et locum infrascriptos, juxta formam mandati infrascripti.

[5 b.] Privy seal, commanding prayers for the king and his sons, and for church and state :—

Reverent piere en Dieu, nous volons en toutes maneres, et vous prions cherment, q consideres les perils apparantz a notre roialme dengletere par my ce qe notre adversaire de France et Henri, qui se dit Roi despaigne, per eux et per toutz lour adherentz et alliez soi afforcent et conjectent per toutes les voies qils saevent et poient de porter griefs a mesme notre roialme, a notre navye, et a touz noz subgiez per terre et per mer, q. Dieu defende, et coment noz filz et toutplein de nobles, chivaleres, esquieres, et autres nos foialz sont les uns per de la et les autres sur leur passage, sibien a cause de la defense de mesme notre roialme come pur le recovrir de notre droit, si eiez et facez avoir pur toutes les gentz de seinte esglise de votre diocise, reguleres et seculeres, continuelement recomendez en les soeffrages, oresons, et autres oevers de charite, et pur especial en les messes de vous et de eux, et ovesque une especiale collecte a dire en chescun messe, lestat de seinte esglise de nous et de notre dit roialme, de noz filez et de touz noz subgiz, et prier devoutement pur la salvacion, pees et tranquillite, si bien de seint esglise come de mesme notre roialme, et le graciouse exploit de nous et de touz noz foials avant ditz, fessant faire pur celle cause processions solempnes et messes especiales chanter chescune semaigne, si bien le mercredy come le vendredy, tant en votre esglise cathedrale come en toutes autres esglises collegiales, conventueles, et parochieles de votre diocise avant dite. Et cestes choses preignez entierement a cuer et les facez profaire en manere come desus est dit, pur amour de nous et sicome noz nous fions tresentierement de vous. Don souz notre prive seal a notre manoir de Claryndon, le x iour daugust.

Writ *pro arraiacione cleri*, tested at Westminster, 16 June, 46 Ed. III.

[6 a.] Writ for prayers for duke of Lancaster[1] :—

Edwardus, etc. Quia de divinâ potenciâ ac nostrâ justiciâ confisi carissimum filium nostrum Johannem, regem Castelle et Legionis, ducem Lancastrie, ac alios magnates, proceres, et fideles regni nostri Anglie, ac aliarum terrarum nostrarum,[2] quam pro recuperacione jurium nostrorum in partibus Francie, que Karolus adversarius noster Francie et sibi adherentes nobis detinent injustè, ultra et super mare providimus destinare. Nos sperantes oracionum suffragia et alia pietatis opera nobis et dictis fidelibus nostris in agendis predictis fore plurimùm oportuna, vos attentè rogamus, quatenus pro nobis et statu regni nostri ac felici expedicione ipsorum fidelium nostrorum preces devotas effundere velitis, ut possimus adversariis nostris in vestrarum ereccione manuum prevalere, et ut multiplicacionem precum gracia celestis exuberet, faciatis, petimus per vestras civitatem et diocesim missas celebrari, predicaciones et processiones fieri, et alia pie placacionis officia exerceri, ut Deus omnipotens, justus judex, inter nos et dictos adversarios nostros dijudicet, et nobis in justiciâ prevalere concedat ; ita quod ad sui cedat laudis preconium, nobis ad meritum, et Christi fidelibus commodum et quietem.

Tested at Westminster, 16 June, 47 Ed. III.

Mandamus directed to the bishop to attend the council, on a charge of detaining monies collected in respect of the subsidy of £50,000 :—

Edwardus, etc., venerabili in Christo patri, etc., salutem. Cum vos et ceteri prelati ac clerus Cantuariensis et Eboracensis provinciarum pro salvacione et defensione regni nostri Anglie et ecclesie Anglicane tuicione nobis quoddam subsidium quinquaginta millium librarum ad scaccarium nostrum in festo S. Michaelis et Purificacionis beate Marie proximò preteritis equaliter solvendum benivolè concesseritis, et licet sepius vobis mandaverimus, quod porcionem diocesim vestram contingentem de subsidio predicto nobis ad receptam dicti scaccarii nostri solvi faceretis ; vos tamen ad mandata nostra predicta consideracionem non habentes, set quantum in vestris est parvipendentes, maximam partem dicte porcionis dictam vestram diocesim con-

[1] See the bishop's mandate, p. 192.

[2] Some words beginning "tam" must have been left out here.

tingentem ad dictam receptam hucusque solvere non curâstis, set eam penes vos detinetis, in nostri dampnum et expedicionis arduorum negociorum nostrorum nos et tocius regni nostri Anglie defensionem specialiter tangencium retardacionem manifestam.

Nos de huiusmodi porcione vestram diocesim vestram contingente de subsidio predicto satisfieri volentes, vobis mandamus, firmiter quo poterimus injungentes, quod in propriâ personâ vestrâ, vel per aliquem de vestris sufficienter instructum, sitis coram thesaurario nostro ac aliis de consilio nostro apud Westm. quamcicius poteritis, et tandem in crastino S. Petri, quod dicitur *Advincula*, apostoli proximò futuri cum omnibus denariis nobis a retro existentibus de porcione diocesim vestram predictam contingente de subsidio predicto, ad solvendum eosdem denarios dicto thesaurario nostro, et adulteriùs recipiendum super diutinâ detencione eorundem denariorum, quod dictum consilium nostrum duxerit ordinandum.

Et hoc sub penâ capcionis temporalium vestrorum in manum nostram nullatenus omittatis.

Tested by Richard le Scrop, the treasurer,[1] at Westminster, 8 July, 46 Ed. III.

[**6 b.**] Warrant to sheriff of Surrey to distrain the bishop's temporals :—

Edwardus, etc., vicecomiti Surr. salutem. Cum venerabilis pater W., episcopus Wynton. ac ceteri prelati et clerus Cantuariensis et Eboracensis provinciarum pro defensione et salvacione regni nostri Anglie et ecclesie Anglicane tuicione nobis quoddam subsidium quinquaginta millium librarum ad scaccarium nostrum in festo S. Michaelis et Purificacione Beate Marie ultimo preterito equaliter solvendum benivolè concesserint . . . . . et licet idem episcopus ex parte nostrâ sepius fuerit requisitus de solucione per ipsum faciendâ de porcione dictam diocesim suam contingente de subsidio predicto, ipse tamen maximam partem eiusdem subsidii contingentem diocesim suam predictam nobis solvere distulit hucusque, in nostri dampnum et expedicionis arduorum negociorum nos et tocius regni Anglie defensionem specialiter tangencium retardacionem manifestam . . . tibi precipimus, sub forisfacturâ omnium, que versus nos forisfacere poteris, quod non

[1] Appointed treasurer 27 March, 1371, when the commons petitioned that the great offices of state should no longer be held by the clergy. He retired in September, 1375.

omittas propter aliquam libertatem quin eam ingrediaris, et capias in manum nostram omnia bona et catalla ac eciam temporalia prefati episcopi, et ea salvò et securè custodias, ipsum episcopum seu aliquem ministrorum suorum quicquam inde intromittere non permittendo, donec aliud a nobis inde habueris in mandatis, etc. Tested by T. de Lodelowe at Westminster, 15 July, 46 Ed. III.

[7 a.] Writ for prayers for king, church, and realm, tested at Westminster, 11 August, 46 Ed. III.

[7 b.] Writ proroguing parliament to morrow of All Souls. Tested at Westminster, 6 October, 46 Ed. III.

Alias writ to distrain the vicar of Bodiham for chief rent in arrear on land held by him as lessee of a deceased tenant *in capite* :—

Edwardus, etc., salutem. Quia per inquisicionem coram Ricardo Wydeville, escaetori nostro in com. Northt. ex officio suo captam et ad scaccarium nostrum missam est compertum, quod quidam Theobaldus Nevill, qui de nobis tenuit in capite unam acram terre et tres rodas prati cum pertinenciis in Lylee per servicium reddendi nobis annuatim iiij solidos iiij denarios, qui quidem redditus annualis predictorum iiij solidorum et iiij denariorum subtractus est per Theobaldum et heredes suos, videlicet Johannem Haklyut et Aliciam uxorem eius, quam quidem Aliciam Johannes Wardieux post mortem predicti Johannis Haklyut duxit in uxorem, et qui terras predictas tenent absque aliquo redditu inde nobis reddendo, et quod redditus annualis predictus subtrahitur per quinquaginta annos in formâ predictâ ; et quod Johannes Haklyut defunctus inclusit quandam pasturam vocatam Calkeleye in solo nostro, continentem in se viginti acras terre, sine licenciâ nostrâ, et unde tenentes nostri de Redelyngtone communem pasturam predictam ibidem de jure haberent ; et valet pastura illa per annum iiij*s.*, triginta annis elapsis post inclusionem inde factam, cuius proficuum predictus Johannes Haklyut et Johannes Wardieux, vir nunc predicte Alicie, nuper uxoris predicti Johannis Haklyut, occupârunt et occupant a tempore inclusionis sic facte hucusque : vobis mandamus, sicut aliàs, quod distringatis Willelmum Wardieux, vicarium ecclesie

de Bodyham de com. Sussexie unum tenencium terrarum et tenementorum que fuerunt predictorum Johannis Haklyut et Alicie uxoris eius per omnia bona et beneficia ecclesiastica in diocesi vestrâ predictâ, ita quod nec ipse nec aliquis per ipsum ad ea manum apponat, donec aliud inde nobis mandaverimus. Et quod habeas corpus eius coram baronibus de scaccario apud Westm. in crastino S. Hillarii ad respondendum nobis unà cum predicto Johanne Wardieux, executore testamenti predicte Alicie, ac Willelmo Haklyut herede et tenente terrarum et tenementorum predictorum Johannis Haklyut et Alicia et Thoma Port, Johanne Wardieux, Johanne Beyvyle, milite, et Willelmo Morewode, aliis tenentibus terrarum et tenementorum predictorum Johannis Haklyut et Alicie, qui eundem diem habent in premissis. Et habeatis ibi tunc hoc breve. Tested by T. Lodelowe at Westminster, 4 November, 46 Ed. III.

The return :—Infrascriptus Willelmus Wardieux, vicarius de Bodyham, non est beneficiatus in diocese nostrâ, et ideo presens breve exequi non potuimus.

[8 a.] Pluries writ to same effect, tested at Westminster, 20 Feb., 47 Ed. III, and similar return.

Venire facias for William de Whytyngtone, r. of Southwarnborough (vol. i, p. 15), in action by abbot of Croyland to recover £12 arrears of a pension of £4.

Return :—Supradictum Willelmum de Whytyngtone . . . . diligenter queri fecimus et ipsum a tempore recepcionis huius brevis non potuimus invenire : idcirco presens breve exequi nequivimus istâ vice.

Prohibition of an episcopal visitation of Domus Dei, Southampton [1] :—

Edwardus, etc. Cum cancellarius noster Anglie, qui pro tempore fuerit, seu deputandus ab eo, omnia hospitalia in regno nostro Anglie de fundacione seu patronatu nostro aut progenitorum nostrorum, quondam regum Anglie, existencia visitare debeat tam in capite tam in membris, absque eo, quod aliquis ordinarius officium visitacionis seu aliam jurisdiccionem ordinariam in eadem hospitalia seu magistros, fratres, sorores, aut

[1] On the ground that it was held in frankalmoign of the Crown by the provost and scholars of Queen's college, Oxford, and that the Crown was visitor.

ministros eorundem hospitalium exercere consueverint, seu de eisdem hospitalibus in aliquo se intromiserint: vos nichilominus jurisdiccionem ordinariam in hospitali Domûs Dei de Suthamptone, quod de nostro patronatu existit, et quod dilecti nobis prepositus scolarium aule Regine de Oxenforde, ac ipsi scolares et fratres et sorores, eiusdem nunc tenent in puram et perpetuam elemosinam, ac in dictos fratres, sorores, et ministros eiusdem exercere intenditis, ipsosque prepositum, fratres, sorores, et ministros premissâ occasione per diversas citaciones fatigatis jam de novo, ut accepimus, in nostrî et juris nostri prejudicium ac corone et dignitatis nostre lesionem manifestam.

Nos igitur, jura corone nostre illesa observare, et huiusmodi prejudicio volentes precavere, vobis districtè prohibemus, ne quicquam in premissis, quod in nostrî et juris nostri regii prejudicium aut corone et dignitatis nostre lesionem cedere valeat, attemptetis seu attemptare presumatis quovismodo.

Et si quid per vos minus rite attemptatum fuerit in hâc parte, id sine dilacione aliquâ revocetis, ne ad vos, tanquam ad juris nostri regii violatores, nonim meritò capere debeamus.

Tested at Westminster, 27 June, 47 Ed. III.

Aliàs venire facias for John Crabbe, r. of Upham (vol. i, p. 37), in action by master of St. Cross hospital (Cloune), to recover arrears of a pension of forty marks by which the church of Upham was held of the hospital.

Tested at Westminster, 6 July, 47 Ed. III.

The return:—Quod presens breve adeo tardè nobis extitit liberatum, quod propter brevitatem temporis illud exequi non potuimus istâ vice.

[9 b.] Pluries writ with like object tested at Westminster, 10 November, 47 Ed. III:—

Memorandum. Non fuit retornatum de precepto domini (the bishop) ex certâ causâ.[1]

[9 a.] Writ *pro arraiacione cleri*:—Edwardus, etc., venerabili in Christo patri, etc., salutem. Cum, ut intelleximus, quamplures naves, galee, et bargee de inimiciciâ nostrâ cum armatâ potenciâ

[1] The reason does not appear. Cloune had made his submission on the 11th June previously (see p. 58).

super mare existentes tam villam nostram Suthamptone quam partes adjacentes pro viribus destruere intenduntur, nisi eorum malicie virilius resistatur. Nos, volentes salvacioni et defensioni ville et partium predictarum, prout convenit, providere, et malicie dictorum inimicorum nostrorum, cum Dei adjutorio, obviare, vobis mandamus, etc. Tested at Westminster, 20 July, 47 Ed. III.

Writ of summons to parliament at Westminster on the morrow of St. Edmund the King, tested at Westminster, 4 October, 47 Ed. III.

[9 b.] Privy seal to speed the collection of arrears of the subsidy of £50,000, which are stated to amount to 8221 marks four shillings and five pence, dated at Westminster, 16 July.

[10 a.] *Fieri facias* for arrears of triennial tenth in archdeaconry of Winchester, viz.: vicarage of Portsea, 10*s.*, pension 3*s.*; Sopley, 5*s.* 4*d.*, pension 16*d.*; Newton Valence, 8*s.*, pension 4*d.*; St. Laurence de Wathe chapel, 4*s.* 4*d.*; St. Helen's, 20*s.* 8*d.*; Wolverton, 7*s.* 4*d.*; Eversley, 8*s.*; Elvetham, 5*s.*; Farnborough, 6*s.* 8*d.*; Tunworth, 4*s.* 4*d.*; Worting, 14*s.* 8*d.*; Herriard, 16*s.* 8*d.*; Carisbrooke, £8.; Godshill, £6. 13*s.* 4*d.*; portion of abbot of Lire in chapel of St. Laurence de Wathe, £4.; in Clatford, 4*s.*

Tested by T. Lodelowe at Westminster, 25 January, 45 Ed. III.

Return:—Vicar of Portsea, prior of St. Helen's, and rectors of Wolverton, Worting, Tunworth, Elvetham, Farnborough, and Herriard, have paid; as regards Newton Valence, St. Lawrence chapel, Sopley, and Carisbrooke, *nulla bona.*

Fieri facias for arrears in archdeaconry of Surrey, viz.: abbot of Grestein's portion in church of Streatham, 4¾*d.*; Rotherhithe, 7*s.* 8*d.*; Byfleet, 5*s.*; Lingfield, 26*s.* 8*d.*

Tested by T. Lodelowe at Westminster, 18 April, 45 Ed. III.

[10 b.] Return:—Sums due at Lingfield and Byfleet have been levied; at Rotherhithe and Streatham, *nulla bona.*

Alias writ of *supersedeas*, exonerating the hospital of St. John of Jerusalem from payment of subsidies granted *per clerum*, it appearing that lay subsidies were levied on the hospital:—

Edwardus, etc., venerabili in Christo patri, etc., ac collectoribus subsidii nobis per clerum Cantuariensis provincie ultimò concessi in diocesi Wynton., salutem. Supplicârunt nobis dilecti nobis in Christo prior et fratres S. Johannis Jerosolomitani in Angliâ, quod licet ipsi et omnes predecessores sui quintasdecimas et omnia alia onera et subsidia nobis seu progenitoribus nostris per communitatem regni nostri Anglie retroactis temporibus concessa, necnon subsidium nobis per eadem communitatem ultimò concessum pro omnibus terris, tenementis, redditibus, et possessionibus suis infra regnum nostrum Anglie, beneficiis suis ecclesiasticis dumtaxat exceptis, cum laicis et non clero solverint, vos tamen ad hoc consideracionem non habentes, ipsos priorem et fratres ad dictum subsidium nobis per clerum concessum pro terris, etc., in diocese predictâ inter laicos taxatas, et pro quibus subsidium nobis cum laicis solverunt, ac si eadem terre, etc., spiritualibus suis annexa fuissent, cum non existant, ad opus nostrum cum clero solvendum per graves censuras ecclesiasticas ac aliàs diversimodè compellere nitimini, in ipsorum prioris et fratrum dispendium non modicum et gravamen, velimus super hoc de remedio fuere provideri:

Nos nolentes ipsos priorem et fratres indebitè onerari, vobis mandamus, sicut alias vobis mandavimus, quod si vobis constare poterit ipsos priorem et fratres et predecessores suos quintasdecimas et omnia alia onera et subsidia nobis et progenitoribus nostris per communitatem regni nostri Anglie ante hec tempora concessa, necnon subsidium nobis per eandem communitatem ultimò concessum pro omnibus terris ac in diocese predictâ, exceptis beneficiis suis ecclesiasticis, cum laicis solvisse, ut dictum est, tunc demande, quam eisdem priori et fratribus pro dicto subsidio nobis per clerum concesso pro eisdem terris, etc., inter laicos taxatis, pro quibus subsidium nobis cum laicis solverunt, nobis solvenda fieri facias, supersedeas omnino.

Proviso quod iidem prior et fratres tam subsidium predictum nobis per laicos concessum pro terris, etc., cum laicis, quam subsidium nobis per clerum concessum pro beneficiis suis ecclesiasticis cum clero nobis solvant, ut est justum, vel eam nobis significetis, quare mandato nostro aliàs vobis directo parere noluistis, vel non debuistis.

Tested at Westminster, 16 Feb., 46 Ed. III.

Writ transmitting to the bishop the record of the conviction of John Brandone, clerk (p. 115.) Tested at Westminster, 14 Feb., 46 Ed. III.

Privy seal to speed the collection of the remaining arrears of the £50,000, in view of the king's intention to be at Portsmouth on 1st May to sail for France.—Westminster, 11 Feb., 46 Ed. III.

[**11 b.**] Warrant to appoint collectors of a tenth granted by convocation, payable in moieties at the Nativity of St. John Baptist, and the Purification, tested at Westminster, 20 March, 48 Ed. III; and return dated at Southwark, 27 April, 1374, that prior of Mottisfont had been appointed for county of Southampton, and abbot of Waverley for county of Surrey.

Writ for return of institutions to vicarage of Romsey since 10 July, 1369, tested at Westminster, 20 April, 48 Ed. III, and return:—

William de Bures, pr. at Highclere, 13 July, 1369, on presentation of m. Andrew Offorde, canon of Romsey, and prebendary of the portion of St. Laurence of Tymberbury with chapel of Junnere annexed.

Mandamus for return of institutions to St. Olave's, Southwark, between 1 Ed. II and 20 Ed. III, tested at Westminster, 22 April, 48 Ed. III. No return.

[**12 a.**] Writ of account against archdeacon Wykeforde, as constable of Bordeaux:—

Edwardus, etc. Quia Robertus de Wykforde, constabularius Burdigalie, clericus, et beneficiatus in diocese vestrâ, nullum habens laicum feodum in com. Sutht. per quod potest distringi, prout Laurencius de Sancto Martino, vicecomes noster comitatûs predicti, retornavit ad scaccarium nostrum in crastino S. Michaelis proximò preteriti, vobis mandamus, quod venire faciatis coram baronibus de scaccario nostro apud Westm. in crastino S. Hillarii prefatum Robertum ad reddendum nobis compotum de exitibus, proficuis, et emolumentis quibuscunque provenientibus de civitatibus, castris, villis, locis, terris, comitatibus, patriis, et provinciis, et omnibus insulis adjacentibus, et homagiis, legeanciis, honoribus, obedienciis, vassallis, feudis, retrosendis, serviciis, recognicionibus, juribus mero et mixto

imperio, et jurisdiccionibus altis, mediis, atque basis, per ipsum Robertum et Thomam de Feltone, nuper senescallum nostrum Vasconie, de mandato nostro in manum nostram captis, videlicet de quo predictus Robertus inde habuit custodiam et non computavit. Et remittatis ibi tunc hoc breve.

Tested by W. Tank[1] at Westminster, 7 November, 48 Ed. III.

A similar writ of even date.

Supersedeas, staying proceedings until the fifteen days of Michaelmas, tested at Westminster, 5 Jan., 48 Ed. III.

[12 b.] *Alias* writ of summons in same matter. Tested at Westminster, 15 Feb., 49 Ed. III.

[13 a.] A similar writ dated 16 Feb.

Supersedeas in same matter until further order. Tested by R. Le Scrop[2] at Westminster, 13 April, 49 Ed. III.

[12 a.] *Venire facias* for Thomas Stafforde, r. of Fordingbridge, in action by dean and chapter of Sarum to recover 100 marks rent in arrear. Tested by R. Belknap at Westminster, 18 Nov., 48 Ed. III.

[12 b.] Warrant to certify court of Exchequer whether churches of Battersea, Wandsworth, and Merdon are appropriated to abbot and convent of Westminster, 2 December, 48 Ed. III. Return, that they are, as appears by production of the instrument of appropriation.

Warrant for return of institutions to church of Walton-on-Thames since the year 1200. Tested at Westminster, 15 November, 48 Ed. III.

[13 a.] Writ commanding prayers for the expedition of earl of Cambridge and duke of Bretagne:—

Edwardus, etc. Sperantes quod devotarum oracionum suffragia inter alia pietatis opera multum prosunt ad divinam misericordiam impetrandam, et de vobis, cuius statum benevolencie specialis favore prosequimur, ut salutem nostram zelemini, et pro nobis ac pro statu prospero regni nostri necnon procerum

[1] Chief Baron of Exchequer, 1374-5.
[2] Treasurer, at this time, and Chancellor, 1378-82. Died 30 May, 1403.

et magnatum, ac tocius populi regni eiusdem, et specialiter quo statu et felici expedicione carissimorum filiorum nostrorum Edmundi comitis Cantabrigie et Johannis Ducis Britannie, ac aliorum dominorum, magnatum, et fidelium nostrorum, quos ad partes transmarinas pro salvacione juris regni nostri Anglie destinavimus, preces devotas Domino offeratis, plenam fiduciam obtinentes, devocionem vestram requirimus et rogamus, quatenus cum clero vestre diocesis nunc et in futuro dignam solicitudinem impendatis, et assistatis assiduis intercessionibus apud Deum, ac missarum celebracionibus, devotisque processionibus, ut Hic suâ pietate nos dirigat per suorum semitam mandatorum, statumque regni predicti, necnon procerum et magnatum, ac populi eiusdem regni conservare dignetur prosperum et tranquillum, et ipsis filiis nostris ac dominis, magnatibus, et fidelibus supradictis ultra mare destinatis felicem expedicionem in salvacionem et recuperacionem juris regni predicti pro suâ misericordiâ tribuat et concedat. Tested at Westminster, 8 May, 49 Ed. III.

Writ of summons to parliament at Westminster, 12 Feb., tested at Langley, 28 Dec., 49 Ed. III.

[13 b.] Writ of prorogation to Monday next after St. George (23 April), tested at Westminster, 20 Jan., 49 Ed. III.

Venire facias for Robert Cadeham, r. of Worting, in action by abbot of Hyde to recover seven years arrears of a yearly rent of 21 lbs. of wax. Tested by R. Belknapp at Westminster, 28 Jan., 50 Ed. III.

Warrant to transmit treasonable letters from foreign parts to the Council[1] :—

Edwardus, etc. Quia datum est nobis intelligi diversa literas et alia scripta quamplura nobis et regno nostro Anglie ac subditis nostris eiusdem prejudicialia continencia vobis a partibus externis in regnum et potestatem nostram execucioni demandanda fore transmittenda, quod si permitteretur, in nostrî et corone nostre prejudicium et exheredacionem et dictorum subditorum nostrorum oppressionem cederet manifestè, ut dicitur: volentes dampnis et periculis que ex hiis et consimilibus nobis et regno nostro ac subditis nostris predictis evenire possent precavere, vobis mandamus, quod literas et alia scripta quecunque

[1] See mandate, p. 263.

nobis ac regno et subditis nostris, ut predictum est, prejudicialia, si que sibi seu eorum alicui aliquo colore deferri contigerit, nobis et consilio nostro salvò et securè mittatis.

Dantes universis et singulis personis ecclesiasticis in quâcunque dignitate vel officio in diocese vestrâ constitutis ex parte nostrâ in mandatis, quod omnia literas et scripta nobis et subditis nostris, ut predicitur, prejudicialia, si que sibi seu eorum alicui aliquo colore deferri contigerit, nobis et consilio nostro similiter salvò et securè mittant, et nos visis et examinatis coram dicto consilio nostro huiusmodi literis et scriptis ulteriùs inde fieri faciemus, quod justum fuerit et racionis.

Publicacioni verò omnium literarum et aliorum scriptorum huiusmodi ac execucioni inde per vos seu ipsas personas ecclesiasticas in diocesi vestrâ faciende, quousque aliud a nobis et ipso consilio nostro inde habueritis in mandatis, supersedeatis et supersederi demandetis, sub periculo quod incumbit. Tested at Westminster, 1 August, 50 Ed. III.

[**14 a.**] Privy seal backing above writ :—

Reverent piere en Dieu, nous vous envoions per notre lige Simon de Thornetone, portour de cestes, un notre brief desous notre grant seal, vous donantz en mandement per mesme notre brief que lettres et autres escritz qeconqes prejudicieles a nous et a noz roialme et subgiz, si acuns vous soient per cas apportez, si tost q vous les avez receu, a nous et a notre conseil, et que vous commandez de notre part a toutes persones de seinte eglise en votre diocise de Wyncestre q touz ceux lettres et escritz prejudicieles, come desus, si aucuns leur soient apportez, ils envoient aussi a nous et a notre conseil avant dit, et que vous surseez et facez surseoir de la publication et execution des ditz lettres et escritz tanque de nous eveiez autre mandement. Si vous mandons et chargeons, que de notre dit brief facez due execution en touz pointz sanz riens attempter en faire a lencontre sur le peril que y apparent; nous certifiant en notre chancellerye per voz lettres et per le dit portour des iour et lieu, quant et ou vous avez receu notre brief avantdit. Et ceo ne lessez.

Don sur notre prive seal a notre manoir de Haveryng, le primer iour de Septembre.

Writ for prayers for king Richard on his accession :—

Ricardus, etc., venerabili, etc., salutem. Quanto in magnis et arduis peragendis negociis divinum presidium instanciùs et devociùs imploratur, tanto exinde speratur successus prosperior et felicior pervenire. Cum itaque celebris memorie dominus Edwardus, nuper rex Anglie, avus noster, sit, ut piè confidimus, ad requiem evocatus, et ad nutum Divinum viam universe carnis ingressus, et per decessum suum onere regiminis regni Anglie nobis incumbente, sicut scitis, inimici nostri Francie et alii quamplures sibi adherentes in regno nostro predicto applicuerunt, et ad nos et idem regnum nostrum in primordiis regiminis nostri se parent et conentur finaliter destruendum, de quo mentis amaritudine undique premimur et turbamur:

Nos verò ad onus regiminis huiusmodi supportandum sive ad maliciam hostium predictorum propulsandum absque devotarum oracionum suffragiis vires nostras cernentes penitus impotentes, vestram paternitatem et devocionem affectuosis precibus requirimus et rogamus, quatenus apud Regem regum, per quem reges regnant, omniaque regna subsistunt, omni mentis solicitudine assiduis et devotis intercessionibus clam et palam, ac missarum celebracionibus et continuis processionibus insistatis, et illud idem a religiosis et aliis vestris subditis universis fieri injungatis, ut Hic suâ pietate nos dirigat per suorum semitas mandatorum, statumque regni predicti, necnon procerum et magnatum, ac populi eiusdem regni conservare dignetur prosperum et tranquillum, et nobis ac dictis magnatibus et fidelibus nostris graciam et potestatem ad dictum regnum et ecclesiam Anglicanam viriliter defendendum, et inimicis nostris resistendum, pro suâ misericordiâ tribuat et concedat.[1]

Tested at Westminster, 1 July,[2] 1 Ric. II (1377).

[14 b.] Writ of summons to Coronation on Thursday, 15 July:—

Ricardus, etc. Quia firmiter credimus et speramus, quod accepto coronacionis et confeccionis munere summi Regis potencia virtuosa in regimine populi regni nostri de bono semper in meliùs diriget actus nostros, ac nos die Jovis in crastino Translacionis S. Swithuni proximò futuri apud Westm. proponimus, auctore Domino, coronari;

Vobis mandamus, firmiter injungentes, quod huiusmodi

[1] Printed in Foedera III, 3, 61.

[2] King Edward died 21 June.

coronacionis nostre solempniis dictis die et loco celebrandis personaliter intersitis. Et hoc, sicut nos et honorem nostrum diligitis, nullatenus omittatis.—Lymington, 26 June, 1 Ric. II.

Writ *pro arraiacione cleri* against the French "qui cum magnâ classe navium, cum maximâ multitudine armatorum et bellatorum, super mare congregati, diversas villas super costeris regni nostri Anglie invaserunt, et eas per arsuras et homicidia ligeorum nostrorum destruxerunt." Tested at Westminster, 25 July, 1 Ric. II.

Writ of summons to parliament at Westminster in the fifteen days of St. Michael. Tested at Westminster, 4 August, 1 Ric. II.

Warrant to appoint collectors of the two tenths imposed on the clergy by convocation at St. Paul's in November, tested at Westminster, 8 Dec., 1 Ric. II. Return, dated Southwark, 20 Jan., that the bishop has appointed priors of Winchester Cathedral and Christchurch Twynham collectors for the archdeaconry of Winchester, and prior of Merton for archdeaconry of Surrey.

[15 a.] Writ for return of beneficed aliens—"quot viri alienigene seculares, tam cardinales quam alii, cuiuscunque statûs seu condicionis fuerint, in episcopatu vestro ad beneficia ecclesiastica sunt promoti, et quid et quantum eorum valet per annum, ac que et cuiusmodi beneficia illa sunt et in quibus comitatibus et archidiaconatibus consistunt, et que sunt nomina et cognomina dicta beneficia occupancium," tested by Thomas, bp. of Exeter, the Treasurer, 12 December, 1 Ric. II.

Return :—Cardinal James de Ursinis, r. of Godalming, yearly value £50: m. Nicholas Longe, an Irishman by birth, r. of Walton-on-Thames, yearly value, 40 marks.

Writ of summons to parliament at Gloucester on Wednesday next after St. Luke, tested at Westminster, 3 Sept., 2 Ric. II (1378).

[15 b.] Another, to parliament in quindene of Easter, tested at Westminster, 16 Feb., 2 Ric. II (1378–9).

Another, to Parliament at Westminster on Monday next after St. Hillary, tested at Westminster, 20 October, 3 Ric. II (1379).

Warrant to appoint collectors of the subsidy granted by convocation in All Saints' church, Northampton, "ad captandam nostram benevolenciam et guerrarum nostrarum sustentacionem," payable at St. Peter's chair and the Nativity of St. John Baptist in equal portions, viz., twenty groats from all dignitaries and priests, and three groats from all deacons, subdeacons, acolyths, and inferiors over sixteen years "qui mendicantes notoriè non fuerint." Tested at Westminster, 20 Dec., 4 Ric. II (1380).

[16 a.] Deputation of collectors: priors of Christchurch Twynham and Mottisfont, for archdeaconry of Winchester, and prior of Merton, for archdeaconry of Surrey.—Highclere, 2 Jan., 1380–1.

Return to Exchequer of collectors' names.—Esher, 30 Jan., 1380–1.

Letter from archbishop, touching the mode of assessing the subsidy:—

Simon, etc., . . . tenore presencium intimamus, videlicet, quod quilibet episcopus in suâ diocesi dirigat mandata sua singulis archidiaconis suis vel eorum officialibus, ac eciam ecclesie sue cathedrali, et jurisdiccionibus exemptis infra suam diocesim constitutis, quod ipsi ad certum diem limitandum certificent de nominibus omnium et singulorum prelatorum tam regularium quam secularium, cuiuscunque statûs, gradûs, ordinis, vel condicionis fuerint, ac clericorum quorumcunque, eciam si exempti vel privilegiati extiterint, ac omnium presbyterorum non beneficiatorum, eciam regularium et monialium infra diocesim suam existencium; et quod quilibet episcopus ad dictum terminum, assidentibus sibi suis archidiaconis, vel eorum officialibus, ac eciam duobus canonicis ecclesie cathedralis, si fuerit secularis, vel aliàs duobus sufficientibus clericis tocius diocesis, et uno rectore de singulis decanatibus, qui numerum et nomina dictorum tam beneficiatorum quam non beneficiatorum calculent et inspiciant, et summam omnes et singulos contingentem in summam unam grossam redigant, et tunc assessis singulis non beneficiatis, inter quos omnes et singuli regulares et moniales citra statum prelacie includi debent, ad decem grossos.

Residuum integre summe inter omnes et singulos beneficiatos fideliter dividatur, ita quod obtinentes beneficia taxata, secundum

taxam, habentes verò beneficia non taxata, secundum estimacionem valoris eorundem, deductâ terciâ parte, equaliter solvere teneantur.

Proviso quod prelati habentes temporalia et spiritualia sub unâ summâ taxata in suis diocesibus solvant, et non alibi.

Quocirca vobis committimus et mandamus, etc.—Lambeth, 22 Dec., 1380.

[**16 b.**] Bishop's commission to the collectors in above terms.—Esher, 24 Feb., 1380–1.

The bishop to the collectors, enjoining them to speed the collection, pursuant to a privy seal, requiring the arrears to be paid into the Exchequer by the octave of Easter.—Farnham, 15 March, 1380–1.

[**17 a.**] Writ of summons to parliament at Westminster on the Monday next after the Exaltation of the Holy Cross (14 September, 1381). Tested at St. Alban's, 16 July, 5 Ric. II.

[**17 b.**] Writ of prorogation to morrow of All Souls ; tested at Eltham, 22 August.

Grant of the provostship of St. Elizabeth's College, on death of John Peveneseye, to John de Ketene, treasurer of Wolvesey. —Highclere, 1 October, 1381.

[**18 a.**] Inst. of Thomas Engelonde, pr., to St. Mary's, Bentworth, on death of Nicholas Danvers. Pat., sir William de Meltone, lord of Bentworth.[1]—Overton, 2 October, 1381.

Writ of summons to parliament on Monday in octave of St. Michael, tested at Woodstock, 10 August, 6 Ric. II (1382).

Return to warrant that John de Codeforde, late r. of Arreton, was instituted 26 Sept., 1361, by bp. Edyndone, on the presentation of the abbot and convent of Lire. No entry of his resignation ; but m. Robert de Lemyngtone was instituted by bp. Edyndone at Southwark, 17 Jan. same year, on presentation of same patrons.—Southwark, 8 Nov., 1382.

Mandate directed to official to cite Richard Gardener, r. of Southwarnborough, to answer writ for £50, arrears of £4 yearly rent due to abbot of Croyland. Date wanting.

[1] "Vacat" is written in the margin of this entry.

[18 b.] *Pluries* writ in same matter, tested at Westminster, 1 May, 6 Ric. II (1383).

Writ of summons to a Parliament at Westminster on Monday in octave of St. Michael, tested at Woodstock, 2 August, 6 Ric. II (1382); and return dated at Highclere, 5 September.

[19 a.] Writ of summons to a Parliament at New Sarum on Friday after St. Mark, tested at Westminster, 3 March, 7 Ric. II (1383–4), and citations of archdeacons and prior of Winchester, dated at Marwell, 15 March, 1383–4.

Writ *pro arraiacione cleri* "volentes dampnis et periculis que per maliciam inimicorum nostrorum regno nostro Anglie, et Insule Vecte, ac ligeis fidelibus nostris verisimiliter, quod absit, evenire formidantur, annuente Domino, precavere," tested at Westminster, 8 June, 8 Ric. II (1385), received at Southwark, 11 June, and transmitted 12 June to abbot of Quarr and archpriest of Barton for execution.

[19 b.] Warrant to speed the collection of the second moiety of the tenth granted in Convocation, 9 December, and payable within fifteen days after St. John Baptist's day, 1385, so that the whole of the second moiety might be lodged in the Treasury by St. Mary Magdalen (July 22), "pro eo quod de assensu et deliberato consilio procerum et magnatum dicti regni nostri ad profisciscendum in propriâ personâ nostrâ versus partes Scocie contra aggressus inimicorum nostrorum cum omni festinacione possibili ordinavimus." Tested at Westminster, 12 June, 8 Ric. II.

Writ of summons to attend the king to Scotland [1] :—

Ricardus, etc. Quia ad salvacionem corone nostre regie, communemque magnatum et procerum ac tocius populi regni nostri Anglie utilitatem, necnon ad dampna, scandala et pericula, que ex Scotorum inimicorum et rebellium nostrorum rebellione, si ipsam diuciùs sustineri contingeret, possent accidere, prout tam preteritum tempus quam presens edocent salubriter precavenda: ordinamus et proponimus, Domino concedente, esse quarto decimo die Julii proximo futuro apud villam Novi Castri super Tynam cum equis et armis et toto servicio nobis debito

[1] The king crossed the border in August, 1385.—*Walsingham* ii, 131.

ad profisciscendum exinde contra dictos Scotos, etc. Tested at Reading, 4 June, 8 Ric. II (1385).

Writ of summons to parliament at Westminster, on Friday after St. Luke. Tested at Westminster, 3 September, 9 Ric. II, (1385).

[**20 a.**] Mandate directed to dean of Sombourn to cite John Sethfelde, clk., to appear in action by abbess of St. Mary's, Winchester, to recover arrears of a yearly rent of 20*s.*—Wolvesey, 15 April, 1386.

Writ *pro arraiacione cleri* for defence of Isle of Wight. Tested at Westminster, 16 May, 9 Ric. II.

Mandate in terms of above writ directed to abbot of Quarr and v. of Shalfleet.—Southwark, 26 May, 1386.

[**20 b.**] Prohibition to institute to Abbots Ann pending trial of right to present :—

Ricardus, etc., venerabili in Christo patri, etc., salutem. Prohibemus vobis, ne admittatis personam ad ecclesiam de Abbotesanne, que vacat, ut dicitur, et de cuius advocacione contencio mota est in curiâ nostrâ inter nos et Johannem, abbatem de Hydâ, et Walterum fratrem ipsius, donec discussum fuerit in eâdem curiâ utrum ad nos an ad predictos abbatem et Walterum pertineat eiusdem ecclesie advocacio.

Tested at Westminster, 20 June, 9 Ric. II, 1386.

Writ of summons to parliament on 1 October. Tested at Oseney, 8 August, 10 Ric. II (1386).

[**21 a.**] Writ to appoint collectors of a moiety of a tenth granted by convocation at St. Paul's, 5 November, and made payable within fifteen days of Easter, tested at Westminster, 10 January, 10 Ric. II ; and return of names of collectors, viz., prior of Winchester Cathedral, for archdeaconry of Winchester ; prior of Merton, for archdeaconry of Surrey.

Alias writ of summons for William, r. of Newnham, in action by prior of Monk Shirbourne to recover six marks, arrears of 40*s.* yearly rent. Tested by R. Belknap, at Westminster, 8 July, 11 Ric. II (1387).

[**21 a.**] Warrant to appoint collectors of a moiety of the tenth granted by convocation, 6 February, tested at Westminster, 13 March, 11 Ric. II; [**21 b.**] and certificate of appointment of collectors, abbot of Hyde and prior of Merton, dated at Esher, 1 April, 1388.

Writ of summons to parliament at Westminster on the morrow of the Purification, tested at Windsor, 17 December, 11 Ric. II; and certificate of citation of archdeacons and clergy, dated at Southwark, 20 December, 1387.

[**22 a.**] Licenses of non-residence granted in October, 1383, at Esher, to John Frebody, r. of Meonstoke, for two years, to study; to Thomas, r. of North Stoneham, in order to be in attendance on earl of Kent; to John Borw, r. of East Clandon, and to Walter, r. of Chawton, for one year.

[**22 b.**] No entry on this page.

[**23 a.**] *Alias* writ against John Thorp, the surveyor (clericus operacionum) employed in the building of a mantlet and laying of a pavement at the King's castle of Southampton, for an account of certain tools and plant which were not forthcoming on the completion of the work:—

Ricardus, etc. Mandamus vobis sicut aliàs, quod venire faciatis coram baronibus de scaccario nostro apud Westm. in crastino clausi Pasche Johannem Thorp, clericum operacionum nostrarum unius mantiletti ac pavimenti circa Turrim nostram apud villam Southamptone, clericum beneficiatum in diocesi vestrâ, ad respondendum et satisfaciendum nobis de j tribulâ, ij cuves, j boket ferro ligato, j cribro pro thorali, j campanâ cum toto apparatu pond. lxx lb., j cable cont. xv tois, pond. lx lb., iij martellis ferri, iij crowes, vj wegges, ij piccis ferreis, j dray cum apparatu, j ladel ferreo, j pari tympanorum, ij cribris, et j gresoure, in custodiâ suâ existentibus, unde nobis non est responsum nec in aliquo satisfactum. Et remittatis ibi tunc hoc breve.

Teste L. de Allerthorp[1] apud Westm. xxviij die Feb. ann. r. n. undecimo.

Per rotulum compoti de anno nono regis nunc in compoto, videlicet predicti Johannis Thorp, clerici operacionum regis

[1] Lawrence de Allerthorp, baron of Exchequer, 27 Sept., 1375, afterwards second baron. Died 21 July, 1400.

unius mantiletti et pavimenti predictorum a xx die Junii anno sexto regis nunc usque xxij diem Decembris, anno octavo regis nunc, et breve retornatum in crastino S. Andree ultimo preterito per vicecomitem Sutht., ubi vicecomes retornavit, quod predictus Johannes Thorp clericus est, et beneficiatus in dioc. Wynton, nullum habens laicum feodum in ballivâ suâ per quod potest distringi.

Pluries writ in Exchequer against John Thorp "vitellarius noster de Chierburgh in Normanniâ" for an account: "ad reddendum nobis compotum de omnibus victualibus nostris que sunt et erunt in castro et villâ predicti loci de Chierburgh, et omnibus redempcionibus, et revencionibus, et quibuscunque aliis proficuis, que ad nos pertinent et pertinere debent racione castri et ville predictorum." Tested at Westminster, 24 Jan., 11 Ric. II (1387–8).

[24 a.] Another writ against Thorp for an account of two crows, four wedges, one hammer, and the bell weighing 70 lbs. Tested by T. Pynchebek[1] at Westminster, 24 Oct., 12 Ric. II

[25 a.] Another writ against Thorp for an account "de solucionibus vadiorum et aliarum expensarum pro clausurâ et reparacione parci nostri de Lyndhurst in Novâ Forestâ cum capitibus magni stagni in eodem parco unà cum portis manerii nostri de Lyndhurst"—of wages and expenses in respect of repairing the palings of the king's park at Lyndhurst and the head of the large pond in the park, and the entrance gates of the manor-house there.

Tested at Westminster by T. Pynchebek, 24 Feb., 12 Ric. II (1388–9).

[26 a.] Writs against Thorp (*a*) for account of victuals at Cherbourg, (*b*) of timber and underwood in the New Forest cut and sold to John Langeforde and John Fynemark to pay for the repair of the park palings and the head of the large pond at Lyndhurst, the entrance gates of the manor-house there, and the hall in the new lodge (aula in novâ logiâ) in the forest, and (*c*) of his receipts and expenses in respect of the work at the tower at Southampton.

[1] Chief baron of Exchequer, 24 April, 1388.

Tested by J. Cassy[1] at Westminster, 4 and 5 October, 13 Ric. II (1389).

[23 a.] Writ against John Chitterne, seneschal of the Isle of Wight, "ad reddendum nobis compotum de equis, jumentis, bobus, vaccis, aut aliis animalibus, lanis, pellibus lanatis, coriis, plumbo, stanno, bladis, armaturis, argento et auro in massâ aut in monetâ, aut aliis bonis seu mercimoniis ab Insulâ Vectâ ad partes externas traducendis nobis aut regno nostro Anglie prejudicialibus et dampnosis infra vel extra eandem insulam dilatis, necnon de bonis et aliis rebus inventis cum omnibus et singulis, qui argentum et aurum in massâ vel monetâ seu alia bona vel mercimonia non cokertata[2] nec custumata ab eâdem insulâ ad partes externas sine licenciâ nostrâ duxerunt, per ipsum seneschallum de mandato nostro arestatis, videlicet a xxiij die Marcii, anno regni nostri octavo et deinceps, unde nondum computatur.

Tested by L. de Allerthorp at Westminster, 28 Feb., 11 Ric. II (1387–8).

[23 b.] *Supersedeas* of above writ tested at Westminster, 15 April, 11 Ric. II (1388).

[23 a.] Writ of summons to parliament at Westminster on morrow of quindene of Easter, being Monday, with injunction to appear personally, "quod ad locum illum in quindenâ predictâ personaliter et non per procuratorem intersitis . . . nolumus enim absenciam vestram personalem habere hâc vice aliqualiter excusatam." Tested at Westminster, 20 March, 11 Ric. II (1387–8).

[23 b.] Prohibition to institute to Tunworth pending trial of the right to present between sir John Grey, of Codnor, kt., and Stephen Shirfelde.[3] Tested at Westminster, 26 April, 11 Ric. II (1388).

[24 b.] Mandamus to institute sir John Grey's presentee:

Ricardus, etc. Sciatis quod Johannes Grey de Codenore, chivaler, in curiâ nostrâ coram justiciariis nostris apud Westm.

[1] John Cassy succeeded Laurence de Allerthorp as chief baron, 12 May, 1389.

[2] Not entered at the custom house. "Cocket," according to Dr. Johnson, is a scroll of parchment sealed and delivered by the officers of the custom house to merchants, as a warrant that their merchandise is entered.

[3] Sir John Grey won. Vol. i, p. 169.

per consensum eiusdem curie recuperavit presentacionem suam versus Stephanum Shirfelde ad ecclesiam de Toneworthe vacantem, et ad donacionem ipsius Johannis spectantem: Et ideo vobis mandamus, quod non obstante reclamacione predicti Stephani, ad presentacionem predicti Johannis ad ecclesiam predictam idoneam personam admittatis. Teste R. Cherltone[1] apud Westm., xxix die Junii a. r. n. duodecimo (1388).

[23 b.] *Fieri facias* for £14, arrears of £4 yearly rent, against r. of St. Olave's, Southwark, at suit of prior of Lewes (vol. i, p. 378). Tested by R. de Cherltone at Westminster, 8 May, 11 Ric. II (1388).

[24 a.] *Alias* writ for same arrears tested 12 July, 12 Ric. II (1388).

Warrant for the arrest of maintainers of the conclusions of Wyclif:—

Ricardus, etc. Sciatis quod cum nuper, significante nobis venerabili patre Willelmo, archiepiscopo Cantuariensi, tocius Anglie primate, per peticionem suam nobis exhibitam, quamplures conclusiones sacre doctrine obviantes, et in fidei catholice ecclesieque sancte ac sue primacie subversionem notoriè redundantes, in locis diversis infra provinciam predictam fuisse palam et publicè, licet dampnabiliter, predicatas, quarum quidem conclusionum quedam, ut hereses, cetere verò, ut errores, per ecclesiam dampnate habita, inde prius bonâ et maturâ deliberacione de comuni consilio ipsius archiepiscopi, et suffraganeorum suorum, quamplurium in theologiâ doctorum, aliorumque clericorum in sacris scripturis peritorum fuerunt sentencialiter et salubriter declarate. Super quo supplicato nobis per ipsum archiepiscopum, ut pro cohercione debitâque castigacione illorum, qui conclusiones predictas extunc predicare, docere, seu manutenere vellent animo obstinato, dignaremur opponere brachium regie potestatis.

Nos zelo fidei catholice, cuius sumus et esse volumus defensores, in omnibus, ut tenemur, commoti, nolentesque sustinere huiusmodi hereses aut errores infra terminos nostre potestatis aliqualiter pululare, prefato archiepiscopo eiusque suffraganeis omnes et singulos, qui dictas conclusiones sic dampnatas pre-

[1] Robert de Cherltone, Chief Justice of Common Pleas, 30 Jan., 1387–8.

dicare, docere, seu manutenere vellent, clam vel palam, ubicunque inveniri possent, arestandi, et prisonis suis propriis [1] seu aliorum pro eorum beneplacito committendi, in eisdem detinendos, quousque ab errorum et heresium pravitatibus resipuerint, vel de huiusmodi arestatis per nos et consilium nostrum aliter foret provisum, auctoritatem et licenciam per certas nostras patentes literas concesserimus et commiserimus speciales.

Nos jam pro cohercione et debitâ castigacione omnium illorum, qui conclusiones predictas seu alias quascunque heresim vel errorem includentes, aut sacris canonibus, vel fidei catholice qualitercunque repugnantes, infra civitatem et diocesim Wynton. exnunc forte predicare, docere, seu manutenere voluerint, necnon ipsorum fautorum, et eis adherencium, volentes zelo dicte fidei providere, venerabili patri Willelmo episcopo Wynton., singulisque eius commissariis et ministris per suas civitatem et diocesim consimiles auctoritatem et licenciam tenore presencium concedimus et committimus speciales.

Mandantes insuper et injungentes universis et singulis ligeis, ministris, et subditis nostris, cuiuscunque statûs seu condicionis fuerint, in fide et ligeanciâ quibus nobis tenentur, ne ipsi docentibus, manutentoribus, sive predicatoribus huiusmodi conclusionum sic condempnatarum, et aliarum premissarum, aut eorum fautoribus, vel eis adherentibus faveant, consulant, aut auxilientur ullo modo, sub forisfacturâ omnium, que nobis forisfacere poterunt, in eventu ; set prefato episcopo Wyntoniensi eiusque commissariis et ministris in execucione presencium pareant, obediant, humiliterque intendant sic, quod debita et aperta publicacio adversus conclusiones, hereses et errores huiusmodi, et eorum doctores et manutentores absque perturbacione fieri valeat, prout pro defensione fidei catholice fuerit salubriùs faciendum.

Tested at Westminster, 20 Jan., 11 Ric. II (1387–8).

[**24 b.**] Prohibition to institute to Mottistone pending trial of right to present between John Hebbere and Anne his wife and William de Montacute, earl of Salisbury, and Richard Chike.[2]

Prohibition to institute to Gatcombe pending trial of title to present between the crown and Ralph de Wolvertone. Tested at Westminster, 25 October, 12 Ric. II (1388).

[1] Page 5, note. [2] The earl of Salisbury won. See vol. i, p. 170.

[**25 b.**] Mandamus to institute a fit presentee, the king having recovered the presentation against Ralph de Wolvertone. Tested by R. de Cherltone at Westminster, 26 November, 13 Ric. II (1389).

[**24 b.**] Warrant to appoint collectors of the tenth granted in convocation 12 October, 1388, on this condition:—"quod si nos ob defensionem regni nostri et ecclesie Anglicane ad partes externas in propriâ personâ nostrâ cum sufficienti armaturâ pro nostris et regni nostri hostibus inibi per Dei graciam debellandis citra festum S. Michaelis proximò futurum contigerit proficisci, per equales porciones terminis subscriptis concesseritis persolvendam"; viz., one moiety in the quindene of Easter and the other at the Translation of St. Thomas the Martyr. But if the king did not go, then the first moiety was to be carried forward in ease of the burden to be laid on the clergy in the next parliament, and the second moiety was not to be collected.

Tested at Westminster, 28 October, 12 Ric. II.

[**25 a.**] Writ of summons to a parliament at Cambridge on the morrow of the Nativity of the Virgin Mary. Tested at Oxford, 28 July, 12 Ric. II (1388).

[**25 b.**] Writs against John Batour, clerk, one of the bishop's sequestrators, and John Somner, for an account of the live and dead stock, silver, gold, jewels, household utensils and other goods and chattels of Elizabeth, widow of Andrew Wautone (who had been murdered by the said Elizabeth and Robert Blake, *capellanus*, and John Balle, servant of the said Andrew, on Midsummer day), which goods and chattels came to the hands of the said sequestrator and had not been accounted for.[1]

Tested by T. Pynchebek at Westminster, 22 Feb., 14 Ric. II (1388–9).

Writ of summons to a parliament at Westminster, on Monday next after St. Hillary (1389–90). Tested at Reading, 6 Dec., 13 Ric. II (1389).

[**26 b.**] Another to a parliament at Westminster on the morrow of St. Martin. Tested at Westminster, 12 Sept., 14 Ric. II (1390).

[1] The goods were felon's goods, and the writ was sent to the bishop, by reason of the sheriff having made a return that Batour was a clerk, beneficed in the diocese, and had no lay fee whereof he might be distrained.

Warrant to appoint collectors of the moiety of a tenth, granted in convocation at St. Paul's on the morrow of the Conception. Tested at Westminster, 30 Jan., 15 Ric. II (1391–2).

Return of collectors, abbot of Tichfield and prior of Merton. Southwark, 4 Feb., 1391–2.

[**27 b.**] *Alias* writ of summons for r. of Long Ditton at suit of prior of Merton for arrears of a yearly rent of 20*s*. Tested by R. Cherltone at Westminster, 6 Feb., 15 Ric. II (1391–2).

Writ directing the bp. to inquire whether abbot and convent of Netley or James earl of Ormond and William Cothulle were patrons of Shere. Tested by R. Cherltone at Westminster, 16 Feb., 15 Ric. II.

[**28 a.**] The return :—Abbot and convent of Netley are patrons. John Walter was instituted 2 Oct., 1390, on presentation of the abbot and convent (vol. i, 176). Esher, 20 April, 1392.

Writ of summons to parliament at York on the morrow of the Translation of St. Edward the King (13 October, 1392). Tested at Windsor, 23 July, 16 Ric. II (1392).

[**28 b.**] Prorogation thereof ad alium diem, de quo, ac de loco, ubi huiusmodi parliamentum meliùs teneri poterit, deliberari volumus. Tested at Windsor, 8 September, 16 Ric. II.

Writ of summons to parliament at Winchester in the octave of Hillary. Tested at York, 23 Nov., 16 Ric. II.

Letter of license touching St. Giles' fair :—

Rex seneschallo et marescallis hospicii sui, salutem. Cum inter ceteras libertates et quietancias episcopo Wynton. et successoribus suis per cartas progenitorum nostrorum quondam regum Anglie concessas concessum sit eisdem, quod idem episcopus et successores sui habeant unam feriam apud Wynton. in loco nominato Seintgilesdoune per sexdecim dies duraturam, et quod idem episcopus habeat per tempus predictum justiciarios suos vocatos *Justiciarii Pavilionis* ipsius episcopi ferie illius per commissionem eiusdem episcopi assignatos ad cognicionem omnium placitorum de transgressionibus, debitis, et aliis contractibus quibuscunque, tam homines et tenentes civitatis Wynton. quam alios quoscunque pertinentibus per septem leucas[1] in circuitu

[1] A "leuca" is 1500 yards, according to Du Cange.

placee ferie illius adjacentis; et predicti justiciarii, licet villa de Suthamptone distet a predictâ feriâ plus quam per septem leucas, unum ministrum dicti episcopi pavilionis predicti, videlicet marescallum, ad eandem villam de Suthamptone singulis annis in vigiliâ Nativitatis beate Marie, vel ante vel post, prout eis placuerit, mittent, ad proclamandum ibidem, quod nullus vendicionem vel empcionem rerum venalium nec mercandisarum, tranagium,[1] vel pesagium[2] earundem rerum venalium, durante feriâ S. Egidii predictâ, in eâdem villâ Suthamptone, exceptis victualibus tantum, faciet, sub forisfacturâ earundem rerum venalium et mercandisarum ad opus ipsius episcopi, set omnes mercatores cum rebus suis venalibus et mercandisis predictis, ad dictam feriam veniant, prout in quâdam composicione inter Adomarum, quondam Wyntoniensem electum, et communitatem ville Suthamptone predicte factam, et per cartam domini Henrici, quondam regis Anglie confirmatam, pleniùs continetur; quodque, quamvis nos vel senescallus hospicii nostri et marescalcia nostra, durante feriâ predictâ infra precinctum predictum venerimus vel venerint, predicti tamen Justiciarii omnia placita et alia quecunque ad libertatem predicti episcopi et ferie sue predicte pertinencia tenebunt et exercebunt, non obstante quod feria illa et precinctus predicta infra virgam tunc extiterint.[3]

Ita quod, quamcitò senescallus et marescalli predicti, vel ille, qui placita marescalcie tenet, per predictos Justiciarios premuniantur, extra precinctum predictum recedent, et nichil quod ad officium marescalcie pertineat infra eundem precinctum facient nec exercebunt, durante feriâ predictâ.

Et idem Justiciarii nomine predicti episcopi assisam panis, vini, et cervisie et alia victualia (*sic*) ponent et stabilient in civitate predictâ, in feriâ predictâ, et ubicunque infra predictas septem leucas per sexdecim dies predictos. Et ministri ipsius episcopi mensuras, balancias, pondera, et ulnas eiusdem civitatis et ferie et infra septem leucas, durante feriâ predictâ, capere, et ea ad pavilionem predictam deferre, et coram prefatis Justiciariis probare, et assisam inde facere, necnon mensuras, balancias, pondera, et ulnas, que extra assisam reperire contigerit, com-

[1] This word is not in Du Cange. Qy., tolls for transit of vehicles.
[2] Toll taken for weighing goods.
[3] Within the verge or bounds of the king's Court, *i.e.*, twelve miles.

burere, et homines qui eisdem utuntur tempore ferie illius amerciare, et amerciamenta illa ad opus ipsius episcopi levare debent et solebant.

Et nos nuper cartas illas per cartam nostram confirmavimus, et insuper concessimus pro nobis et heredibus nostris, quantum in nobis est, venerabili patri Willelmo, etc., quod licet ipse vel predecessores sui aliquâ vel aliquibus libertatum seu quietanciarum in dictis cartis contentarum, aliquo casu emergente hactenus plenè usi non fuerint, iidem tamen episcopus et successores sui libertatibus et quietanciis illis, et earum quâlibet, extunc plenè gaudeant et utantur, prout in cartis et confirmacione nostrâ predictis pleniùs continetur: vobis mandamus, quod ipsum episcopum Wynton. libertate predictâ uti et gaudere permittatis juxta tenorem cartarum et confirmacionis nostre predictarum, et vos de aliquo officium vestrum tangente in civitate predictâ, in feriâ predictâ, ubicunque infra predictas septem leucas, ac in predictâ villâ Suthamptone per sexdecim dies predictos nullatenus intromittatis, ipsum episcopum seu ministros suos ferie predicte contra tenorem earundem cartarum et confirmacionis non molestantes in aliquo seu gravantes.

Tested at Westminster, 24 Aug., 13 Ric. II (1389).

Writ of summons to parliament at Westminster in the quindene of St. Hillary, tested at Westminster, 13 November, 17 Ric. II (1393).

[**29 b.**] Warrant to appoint collectors of the moiety of a tenth granted in convocation at St. Paul's, 21 May, tested at Westminster, 10 August, 18 Ric. II; and return of appointment of collectors, abbot of Beaulieu for archdeaconry of Winchester, and prior of Newark for archdeaconry of Surrey, dated at Esher, 22 October, 1394.

[**30 a.**] Writ commanding prayers for the king in Ireland[1]:

Ricardus, etc. Cùm propter bonum regimen et felicem gubernacionem terre nostre Hibernie ac fidelium ligeorum nostrorum ibidem, necnon propter castigacionem et justificacionem inobediencium et rebellium contra ligeanciam suam in

[1] About the Nativity of the Virgin Mary (Sept. 8), says *Walsingham* (ii, 215), the king crossed over to Ireland with the duke of Gloucester, and the earls of March, Nottingham and Rutland, and compelled the rebellious Irish to submit; remaining there until Easter.

terrâ nostrâ predictâ, si qui fuerint, sumus ad partes illas personaliter jam profecti.

Et quia ad onus regiminis regni nostri Anglie et terre nostre predicte, quod nobis ab Alto committitur, supportandum, et ad ecclesiam sanctam ac regnum et terram nostram predictam, necnon ligeos nostros eorundem protegendum et debitè gubernandum absque summo Dei presidio ac devotarum oracionum suffragiis pro nobis affluenciùs Altissimo reddendis vires nostras cernimus penitus impotentes, ac sperantes, indubiè, quod quantò in magnis et peragendis negociis nostris divinum adminiculum instanciùs et devociùs imploratur, tantò exinde successus prosperior et felicior preveniat et sequatur, vestram paternitatem et devocionem affectuosis precibus requirimus et rogamus, quatenus, premissis condignè et devotè consideratis, universos et singulos clericos et subditos vestros tam regulares quam seculares vestre diocesis ad devocionem suam erga summum Regem elevandum eò specialiùs, quo magis sciveritis vel poteritis juxta possibilitatem, tantâ necessitate causante, inducatis cum effectu, ut ipsi apud Altissimum, de quo omnis gracia procedit, totâ mentis solicitudine preces et oraciones devotissimè infundant, et devotis precibus et intercessionibus ac processionibus et missarum celebracionibus ad specialem graciam Dei impetrandam pro expedicione nostrâ ac aliorum magnatum et fidelium nobiscum in exercitu nostro in partibus predictis existencium, qui corpora nostra propter salvacionem terre illius periculis ponere non evitamus assiduè insistant, apud Deum, ut ipse Deus statum nostrum, ecclesieque et regni ac terre predictorum conservare dignetur prosperum et tranquillum, nobisque et fidelibus nostris in actibus nostris in terrâ nostrâ predictâ et alibi expedicionem felicem pro suâ magnâ pietate misericorditer tribuat et concedat.

Tested by Edmund, duke of York, *custos Anglie*, at Westminster, 16 October, 18 Ric. II (1395).

Mandate directed to the archdeacon of Winchester, enjoining prayers as above; with grant of forty days' indulgence.—Southwark, 11 Nov., 1394.

[**30 b.**] Warrant to swear Richard Forde as escheator for counties of Southampton and Wilts. Tested by Edmund, duke

of York, *custos Anglie*, at Westminster, 24 November, 18 Ric. II (1394); and return dated at Esher, 9 December.

Form of oath :—

Vous jurez que bien et loialment servirez au Roi en loffice del Eschetour en les countees de Sutht. et Wyltes, et le prou le Roy freez en toutes choses q a vous appendent affaire, solonc votre sen et votre poair, et ses droitures qancque a la corone appent loialment garderez, ne mistenterez au distrez ne au concelement des droitz ne des franchises le Roy, et per la ou vous savez les droitz le Roy ou de sa corone, soit en terres soit en rentes ou en franchises ou en suites concelez ou suscretz, votre loial peine metterez de ceo repeller; et si vous ne le poez faire, vous le dirrez a Roy ou a ceux de son conseil, des queux vous soiez certeine qils le dirront au Roy; et q loialment et a droiture treterz le people de votre bailie, et a chescun freez droit auxi bien as pouveres come as riches en ceo q a vous appent affaire, et pur donn ne promesse ne pour haiour tort ne freez a nully, ne autre droiture ne desturberez que rien ne prendrez per qoy le Roy perde ou per qoy droiture soit desturbe. Et que loialment ferrez retorner et loialment suir les briefs le Roy, et que en propre persone les estentes le Roy, solonc lour verray value et enquestes freez, et returnerez a votre sen et votre poair, si tost qils soient pres et ceo de deins une moys, et q vous ne prendrez nulls baillifs en votre service pur qi ne voillez respondre, et a vous freez voz baillifs faire tiel serment come a eux appent, et q loial acompte rendres al escheqer le Roy des issues de votre dite baillie, et q vous prendrez voz enquestes en lieux appiertz et nennye privez, et ceo per evidence, solonc le purport de lestatut ent fait. Si Dieu vous eide et ses seintz.

[31 a.] Writ of summons for r. of Freshwater, on a charge of smuggling wool to France[1]:—

Ricardus, etc. Quia datum est nobis intelligi, quod Robertus atte Style, qui moram suam nuper traxit apud Chale, infra Insulam Vectam in com. Sutht., emit de Thomâ Symonde, rectore ecclesie parochialis de Fresshwatre in eâdem insulâ, unum saccum et x petras lane,[2] et in patriâ ibidem emit particu-

[1] The export of wool to France was forbidden, but by 5 Ric. II, Stat. 2, c. 2, it might be carried out of the realm to any other country on payment of customs.

[2] According to Fleta, Bk. II, ch. xii, sec. 1, the petra or stone was 12½ lbs., and 28 petræ made a saccus, or sack; but in wool measure 14 lbs. ordinarily went to the stone, and 26 stones made a sack.

lariter (in lots) unum saccum et dimidium lane, quas lanas idem rector cariavit de rectoriâ suâ usque quoddam Bay[1] in mari infra dictam insulam contra le Hurst per tres septimanas ante festum S. Petri Advincula ultimò preteritum ad opus Willelmi Bataille, Vilimini Beard, Janini de la Roschell, Johannis Brytone de Harflete,[2] de potestate Francie, inimicorum nostrorum, ad cariandum in quâdam scafâ versus partes externas absque custumiis et subsidiis nobis inde debitè solutis ; ac pro eo quod Thomas Symonde clericus est, et beneficiatus in diocese vestrâ nullum habens laicum feodum in predicto comitatu Sutht., per quod potest attachiari, nec est inventus in eodem, prout retornatum fuit ad scaccarium nostrum ad quindenam S. Hillarii ultimò preteriti per vicecomitem eiusdem comitatûs.

Vobis mandamus, quod venire faciatis coram baronibus de Scaccario nostro apud Westm. a die Pasche in xv dies predictum rectorem, clericum vestrum, ad respondendum nobis in premissis, et ad ultimò recipiendum inde quod curia nostra duxerit ordinandum. Et habeatis tunc hoc breve.

Tested by J. Cassy at Westminster, 4 Feb., 18 Ric. II (1394–5).

[31 a.] Citation of r. of Freshwater to appear to said writ under pain of sequestration.—Marwell, 12 March, 1394–5.

Appointment of abbots of Hyde and Chertsey to collect the tenth granted in convocation at St. Paul's, 5 Feb., pursuant to writ tested at Westminster, 15 May, 18 Ric. II.—Wolvesey, 17 May, 1395.

[31 b.] Novel disseisin by William Pulter, as nephew and heir of James Lyon, against the mayor (John Flete), the bailiff (John Boteller), and commonalty of the town of Southampton, Richard de Montacute, and others, to recover six messuages with the appurtenances in the town of Southampton. Montacute pleaded a release by Lyon of the premises. Pulter replied, that at and before the time of making the release Lyon was a friar of the order of Preachers. [32 a.] Montacute rejoined, that at the time of making the release Lyon was a secular priest.[3] The Justices of assize, Rykhill and Brenchesle, referred the matter to the bishop. He delegated his power to two civilians,

[1] Probably Colwell or Totland Bay. [2] Harfleur.
[3] And therefore not dead in law, as a professed person would be.

Thomas Ayllesbury and John Payn. They returned, that when they sat to determine the matter, they were served with an inhibition from the court of Canterbury.—Winchester, 13 July, 1397.

[33 a.] Return by the bishop to the Justices of assize. He has held the inquiry himself; and finds that at the date of the release, and for nine years previously, James Lyon was professed in the order of Friars-Preachers at Winchester.—Highclere, 14 Feb., 1397–8.

[32 b.] Writ of summons to Parliament at Westminster on the Monday next after the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, tested at Westminster, 18 July, 21 Ric. II (1397).

Warrant to sheriff to prohibit public meetings after the arrest of duke of Gloucester :—

Ricardus, etc., vicecomiti Glouc. (*sic*), salutem. Cum de assensu carissimi fratris nostri Edwardi, comitis Rotelandie, dilecti consanguinei nostri Thome, comitis Kantie, carissimi fratris nostri Johannis, comitis Huntyngdonie, dilectorum consanguineorum nostrorum Thome, comitis marescallie et Notynghamie, Johannis, comitis Somerset., Johannis, comitis Sarum, et Thome, domini le Despencer, dilecti et fidelis nostri Willelmi Lescrop, subcamerarii nostri, Thomam, ducem Gloucest., Ricardum, comitem Arundell, et Thomam, comitem Warre, pro quampluribus extorsionibus, oppressionibus, gravaminibus, et aliis malefactis nobis et populo nostro per ipsos perpetratis, pro quiete et indempnitate populi nostri predicti arestari et sub salvâ custodiâ detineri fecerimus:

Nos, pacem et tranquillitatem ubique infra regnum nostrum Anglie custodiri jubere volentes, tibi precipimus firmiter injungentes, quod in singulis locis infra ballivam tuam, ubi meliùs expedire videris, ex parte nostrâ publicè proclamari et inhiberi facias, ne quis cuiuscunque statûs sive condicionis fuerit, sub forisfacturâ vite et membrorum ac omnium aliorum que nobis forisfacere poterit, ac sub penâ quod reputetur tanquam proditor erga nos, aliqua conventicula, seu congregaciones sive convocaciones, aut excitaciones eorundem ex proprio motu suo sive per literas aut mandatum alicui persone, nisi per speciale mandatum nostrum, sive per literas predictorum comitum Rotelond., Kant.,

Huntyngdonie, Marescall., Somerset, et Sarum, ac predictorum Thome, domini le Despenser, et Willelmi sibi ex parte nostrâ dirigendum faciat seu procuret. Et hoc sub forisfacturâ antedictâ nullatenus omittatis.

Tested at Westminster, 13 July, 21 Ric. II (1397).

[33 a.] Writ of prohibition to institute to Faccombe, until title to advowson should be decided between the crown and Oliver Punchardone (vol. i, p. 79). Tested at Westminster, 19 Oct., 21 Ric. II (1397).

Venire facias for Adam Allerthorpe, r. of Over Wallop, to recover arrears of 30*s.* yearly rent due to Cecilia, abbess of Wherwell. Tested by W. Thirnyng,[1] at Westminster, 20 Nov., 21 Ric. II (1397).

Citation of Allerthorp, dated at Highclere, 28 Nov. 1397, "ad conservandum nos indempnes occasione brevis regii," etc.

[33 b.] *Pluries* writ against Richard Branketre, r. of Broughton, to recover arrears of a yearly rent of 13*s.* 4*d.*, due to m. John Newetone, treasurer of St. Peter's, York. Tested by W. Thirnyng, at Westminster, 8 Feb., 21 Ric. II (1397–8).

Commission to m. John Payn, v. of Sombourn, to cite Branketre to attend at Esher and give security for his appearance to the writ, under pain of sequestration.—Farnham, 28 March, 1398.

Payn returned, that he served Branketre with the citation in his parsonage house at Sombourn, and subsequently sequestrated the crops (fructus suos autumpnales) on the glebe, as a security for his appearance to the writ.

Return sealed "quia sigillum meum pluribus est incognitum," with the official seal of the deanery of Winchester, and tested by the dean, 19 April, 1398.

[34 a.] Commissions directed to priors of Winchester and Merton to collect a tenth and half tenth granted by convocation, and payable as to one moiety at Martinmas, as to another at Midsummer, and as to the third at Martinmas year; and return of names of collectors, pursuant to writ tested at Westminster, 14 July, 22 Ric. II.—Wolvesey, 3 Aug., 1398.

[1] A justice of Common Pleas, 11 Ap., 1388; chief baron, 1396; died, 1413.

[34 b.] Writ against John Neuport, clk., for an account, jointly with others, of the issues of Magdalen hospital, Southampton, which was then in the king's hands, the sheriff having made a return that Neuport was beneficed in the diocese and had no lay fee in his bailiwick. Tested by J. Cassy, at Westminster, 21 Oct., 22 Ric. II (1398).

Venire facias against John Rypon, r. of Bishopstoke, for twenty years' arrears of a pension of 40*s.* due out of the rectory to the warden of "Seinte Marie College of Wynchestre juxta Wynton."[1] Tested by W. Thirnyng[2] at Westminster, 12 February, 22 Ric. II (1398–9).

[36 a.] Similar writ for £4 arrears of same pension, tested at Westminster, 26 Jan., 1 H. IV.

[42 a.] Another, claiming 22½ marks as in arrear, and return, enclosing official's certificate to the effect that he distrained corn in the rector's barn to the value of 100*s.*, but no one would bid, and therefore he had not sold it.

[45 a.] Another, claiming 21 marks in arrear, tested at Westminster, 8 July, 3 H. IV, and entry of memorandum of satisfaction.

[35 a.] Warrant to discharge a clerk in custody on a charge of felony, pursuant to general pardon of 1398:—

Ricardus, etc. Cum Jacobus Dyngeleye, de Shene in com. Surr., apud Wynton., die Martis proximo post festum S. Katherine virginis (Nov. 25), anno regni nostri vicesimo primo, coram Nicholao Tannere et Johanne Denytone, tunc coronatoribus nostris eiusdem civitatis, indictatus existat de eo, quod ipse die lune proximo post dictum festum S. Katherine virginis apud Wynchestre Walterum Pyncheon cum quodam cultello vocato *Baselard* appreciato ad sex denarios in domo eiusdem Walteri usque ad cor felonicè, ex maliciâ precogitatâ percussit ipsum Walterum tunc insidiando,[3] et hoc sicut idem Walterus stetit et

[1] The church of Bishopstoke rendered a pension of 40*s.* to the priory of Hamble, which vested in Winchester college, when the possessions of the priory were acquired in 1391. The title of the college was established in this action. The record is preserved in the muniment room.

[2] Justice of Common Pleas, 11 April, 1388, Chief Justice in that Court, 19 Jan., 1395–6.

[3] See note to p. 91, as to use of this word in an indictment.

contra quendam murum prope ecclesiam S. Laurencii in civitate predictâ mingebat, per quod idem Walterus statim obiit ; quo pretextu idem Jacobus infra annum, videlicet die Martis proximo post festum S. Valentini, apud Wynton. captus et coram Willelmo Rykhill et Willelmo Brenchesle, justiciariis nostris assignatis super indictamento predicto subito allocutus fuerit, graciâ nostrâ et generali pardonacione ligeis nostris in ultimo parliamenti nostro factis, per quas omnimode huiusmodi felonie ante ultimum diem Januarii annò regni nostri vicesimo primo facte et perpetrate pardonate exstiterint, non obstantibus.

Ac prefatus Jacobus super hoc privilegium clericale petierit, et per inquisicionem inde captam culpabilis inventus, ac eâ occasione vobis, ut loci illius ordinario, commissus fuerit, et in artâ prisonâ vestrâ adhuc moretur, ut accepimus, et nos quinto die Aprilis proximò preteriti de graciâ nostrâ speciali perdonaverimus eidem Jacobo sectam pacis nostre, et quicquid ad nos pertinet occasione felonie et judicii predictorum, unde indictatus, sectatus, vel appellatus existit, ac eciam utlagariam, si qua in ipsum eâ occasione fuerit promulgata, et firmam pacem nostram ei inde concesserimus.

Ita tamen quod stet rectò in curiâ nostrâ, si qui versus eum loqui voluerint de feloniâ supradictâ, prout in literis nostris patentibus inde confectis pleniùs continetur.

Et, quia idem Jacobus invenit coram nobis in cancellariâ nostrâ sufficientem securitatem de se bene gerendo exnunc erga nos et populum nostrum juxta formam statuti inde editi et provisi,[1] vobis mandamus, quod ipsum Jacobum contra tenorem literarum nostrarum predictarum non molestetis in aliquo seu gravetis. Tested at Westminster, 22 April, 22 Ric II (1399).

[35 b.] Writ of summons to a parliament at Westminster on the morrow of St. Michael, tested at Chester, 19 Aug., 23 Ric. II[2] (1399).

[1] The king's pardon to all his subjects of their offences, including treasons and felonies, was granted by stat. 21 Ric. II, c. 15 (*Rot. Parl.*, 21 Ric. II, No. 75), in consideration of the subsidy granted by the Parliament of that year being more than was ever granted to any king. As regards treasons and felonies, however, charters of pardon had to be sued out; and as to this class of offences the act was not confirmed by statute 2 Hen. IV, c. 13.

[2] This writ is dated the day before the king surrendered to the duke of Lancaster. After a short interview with the duke at Flint he rode to Chester with an escort of the duke's followers, where he arrived on the evening of the 19th August, and, as may be supposed, consented to the sealing of this writ of summons. On the following morning he surrendered to the duke (*Walsingham* ii, 234). It was in this parliament, convened in Richard's name, that Richard was deposed and Henry's claim to the throne was allowed (*ib.*, 235–7).

Writ of summons to parliament at Westminster on the feast of St. Faith (Oct. 6).[1] Tested at Westminster, 30 Sept., 1 Hen. IV (1399).

Writ *pro arraiacione cleri.* Tested at Westminster, 27 Jan., 1 Hen. IV.

Mandate directed to archdeacon of Winchester to execute this writ.—Waltham, 28 Feb., 1399—1400.

[36 a.] *Levari facias de bonis ecclesiasticis* against Robert and Thomas Brembre, clks., to recover a sum of 106*s.* 8*d.* due by them in respect of the moiety of a tenth granted by the clergy in 7 Ric. II. Tested by T. Cassy, at Westminster, 20 Jan., 1 Hen. IV.

[38 b.] *Pluries* writ with like object. Tested 9 May, 2 Hen. IV (1400), with return of *non est inventus.*

[36 b.] Mandate directed to the official to levy the above sums, dated at Waltham 20 March, 1399—1400; and return of *non est inventus.*

Alias writ against William Salisbury, v. of Ashley, to recover 56 marks, arrears of pension of four marks due to prior of Mottisfont. Tested by T. Thirnyng, at Westminster, 12 May, 1 Hen. IV (1400).

Writ of summons to parliament at York on the Wednesday next before All Saints. Tested at Westminster, 9 Sept., 1 Hen. IV (1400).

[37 a.] Prorogation of said parliament to octave of St. Hillary, at Westminster.[2] Tested at Westminster, 3 Oct., 1 Hen. IV.

Writ for return of names of collectors for the Emperor of Constantinople's defence fund against Bajazet, and of names of those who kept the keys of the contribution boxes[3]:—

[1] Being the Monday after St. Michael. It had been proclaimed in Westminster Hall by order of the new king that Parliament should meet on that day, and that his coronation should take place (as it did) on that day week, Oct. 13. The bishop was not summoned to the coronation, or, if he was, the writ is not entered in the Register.

[2] A statute imposing capital punishment on Lollards was passed in this parliament.—*Walsingham* ii, p. 247.

[3] The pope sent the bishop of Chalcedon to England in 1399 to obtain contributions for Manuel Paleologus, Emperor of Constantinople, who was besieged by the Turks under Bajazet.—*Walsingham* ii, p. 229.

Henricus, etc. Cum summus pontifex modernus, advertens quod perfidus ille Baysetus, princeps Turchorum, manu potenti et brachio extento in Christianum populum maximâ feritate extitit debacatus, ad extiminium civitatis Constantinopolitane et universitatis populi Christiani, nisi eius nephando proposito ciciùs resistatur, omnes et singulos qui pro liberacione et obsidio Manuelis, imperatoris Constantinopolitani, et dicte civitatis sue manus adjutrices porrexerint, illam suorum peccaminum, de quibus fuerint veraciter corde contriti, et ore confessi, veniam consequi voluerint, que per sedem apostolicam concedi consuerit elemosinas erogantibus seu predicantibus in subsidium Terre Sancte ; ac Hillarius de Auriâ, miles, domicellus Januensis, auctoritate quarundam literarum apostolicarum similiter confectarum pro eo, quod episcopus Calcedoniensis, cui officium predicacionis negocii predicti per sedem apostolicam aliàs extitit commissum, ad partes proprias ad tunc dirigebat gressus suos sic, quod circa dictum negocium intendere non valebat, nominaverit, elegerit, assignaverit, et deputaverit venerabilem patrem episcopum Crispolitanensem ad huiusmodi officium exequendum et prosequendum, prout per instrumentum publicum super hoc confectum in cancellariâ domini Ricardi nuper regis Anglie secundi post conquestum exhibitum plenè liquet, dictusque nuper rex ut quecunque summe per commissarium et deputatos ipsius episcopi Calcedoniensis pretextu dictarum literarum apostolicarum tunc recepte et extunc recipiende in liberacionem et obsidium dicti imperatoris et civitatis sue predicte, duntaxat juxta effectum bullarum predictarum applicentur et fideliter convertantur assignaverit [37b.] prefatum episcopum Crispolitanensem ad omnes et singulas huiusmodi pecuniarum summas per commissarium et deputatos predictos ad tunc receptas et ex tunc recipiendas in hâc parte petendas exegendas, colligendas, et recipiendas, et eas in quibuscunque cistis in ecclesiâ S. Pauli, London. et alibi ad hoc deputatis salvò et securè ponendas, in usum et subsidium dicti negocii expendendas et convertendas, prout in literis ipsius nuper regis patentibus inde confectis pleniùs continetur:

Nos jam quibusdam certis de causis nos intimè moventibus, vobis in fide et dileccione, quibus nobis tenemini, injungimus et mandamus, quod, visis presentibus, cum eâ celeritate quâ com-

modè poteritis, vos tam de nominibus omnium et singulorum huiusmodi commissariorum et deputatorum infra diocesim vestram, cuiuscunque statûs, gradûs, seu condicionis fuerint, quam de nominibus omnium illorum, qui claves cistarum predictarum ac aliarum cofrarum et pixidum pro salvâ custodiâ summarum huiusmodi ordinatorum ad tunc habuerunt, seu ad presens habent, et in quibus locis dicte ciste, cofre, et pixides reposite fuerunt et iam existunt per diligentem inquisicionem in hâc parte circumspectè faciatis, ac omnibus aliis viis et modis, quibus juxta sanam discrecionem vestram sciveritis aut poteritis, informetis, et nos inde in cancellariâ nostrâ citra quindenam Pasche proximò future sub sigillo vestro distinctè et apertè reddatis cerciores;

Premunientes commissarios et deputatos, ac alios predictos ex parte nostrâ, quod ipsi super gravi forisfacturâ nostrâ ad quindenam predictam ibidem personaliter intersint, ad faciendum et recipiendum quod per consilium nostrum tunc contigerit ordinari. Tested at Westminster, 11 Jan., 2 Hen. IV (1400–1).

[37 b.] Mandate directed to archdeacons to execute above writ, dated Southwark, 10 Feb., 1400–1.

Return dated Farnham, 12 April, 1401:—

Excellentissimo in Christo principi, etc. Breve vestrum regium nuper recepimus in hec verba Henricus, etc. (*ut supra*) quod quidem breve vestrum juxta omnem vim, formam, et effectum eiusdem diligenter in omnibus sumus executi. Nomina vero dictorum commissariorum sive deputatorum ac aliorum predictorum et loca in quibus huiusmodi ciste, cofre, et pixides reposite fuerunt et jam existunt, cedula continet hiis annexa.

The schedule, Englished:—

F. John de Argentinâ of the order of Friars-Preachers, appointed commissioner by bp. of Crispolis, placed a coffer in the house of the Friars-Preachers at Winchester, which was afterwards removed to the house of the Friars-Minors in that city and placed in the custody of William Newe, the warden. Mark le Vayre,[1] the mayor, had one key in his custody; the other key was in the custody of the bishop of Crispolis.

[1] Mark le Fayre was mayor of Winchester in 1400, and again in 1404, 1410, and 1413. "Vayre" represents the Hampshire pronunciation of "Fair."

Ds. Robert, the chaplain officiating in Lovekyn's chapel at Kingston-on-Thames, was a commissioner and receiver of contributions.

Roger Chaldewelle, of Kingston, had the key of the chest in Kingston church.

Ds. John, r. of St. Mary's, Guildford, and ds. David, r. of Holy Trinity there, and f. John Cherteseye, of the Friars-Preachers there, were commissioners and receivers of contributions.

Ds. Alexander, chaplain at Kingston, was a receiver of contributions and kept one box (pyxis) there.

John Ryver, of Kingston, kept one key of the chest in Kingston church.

All the above were cited to appear, except John de Argentinâ and the bp. of Crispolis, who had returned to foreign parts, Alexander, who had left the diocese, and Ryver, who was dead.

[38 a.] Commission to abbots of Hyde and Waverley to collect the tenth and half-tenth granted by convocation at St. Paul's on 26 Jan. Dated at Farnham, 21 April, 1401.

[38 b.] Return of collectors' names to the exchequer. Farnham, 6 May, 1401.

[39 a.] Writ for return of presentations to alien priories. Tested at Westminster 23 April, 2 Hen. IV (1401).

The returns, Englished :—

Pontissara's Register.

3 Id. Jul., 1292. Thomas *dit* le Petit, a monk, presented by abbot of St. Sauveur le Vicomte and instituted to the priory of Ellingham vacant by death of f. Michael the last prior.

13 Kal. Jul., 1301. F. Denys, a monk, presented by said abbot and instituted to the priory of Ellingham.

Woodlock's Register.

11 Kal. Nov., 1305, f. Robert de Combor, a monk of St. Florent, in Anjou, presented by abbot of St. Florent, and instituted to priory of Andover.

15 Kal. Oct., 1307. F. Helias de Combor, a monk of St. Florent, presented by abbot of St. Florent, and instituted to priory of Andover.

[39 b.] 5 Kal. Aug., 1313. F. John Pontyng, a monk of Lire, presented by abbot of Lire and instituted to priory of Carisbrooke.

Sandale's Register

6 Kal. Oct., 1316. F. Ralph de Combor, presented by abbot of St. Florent and instituted to priory of Andover.

4 Jan., 1317. F. John de Estrepamacho, a monk of Tiron, instituted to priory church of Hamble vacant by resignation of Richard de Floris, on presentation of abbot of Tiron.

Rigaud de Asserio's Register.

14 Kal. Dec., 1320. F. Helias de Combor, a monk of St. Florent, instituted to priory of Andover.

2 Id. Jul., 1322. F. Richard de Beaumont, a monk of Tiron, instituted to priory of Hamble on resignation of John de Estrepamacho on presentation of abbot of Tiron.

Stratford's Register.

16 Kal. Apr., 1327. Richard Pelleue, a monk of St. Sauveur le Vicomte, presented by the abbot, and instituted to priory of Ellingham.

Orlton's Register.

2 Id. Mai., 1336. F. Blase *dit* Doubel, a monk of Lire, presented by the abbot, and instituted to priory of Carisbrooke.

7 Sept., 1341. Philip Maghe, a monk of St. Florent, presented by abbot Elias and instituted to priory of Andover, vacant by promotion of prior John de Pomariis to priory of Sele.

[40 a.] 10 March, 1344–5. F. James Pasquier, a monk of Tiron, presented by the abbot to Hamble priory on resignation of Richard de Beaumont, and instituted.

Edyndone's Register.

22 Feb., 1346. F. Galuanus de Hambergâ, a monk of St. Sauveur le Vicomte, presented by the abbot to Ellingham priory and instituted.

5 May, 1348, John Pepyn, a monk of Lire, presented by the abbot to Carisbrooke priory on resignation of Blase Doubel, and instituted.

27 Jan., 1360–1. F. Nicholas Gavaire, another monk of Lire, presented by abbot to Carisbrooke priory, and instituted.

1 Sept., 1361. F. William de Albigneye, a monk of St. Sauveur le Vicomte, presented by abbot to Ellingham priory, and instituted.

Date not recorded. F. Guillermus de Monasteriis, a monk of Tiron, presented by the abbot to Hamble priory on death of Pasquier, and instituted.

16 Jan., 1362–3. F. Denys Canoun, a monk of St. Florent, presented by abbot Guillermus to Andover priory, and instituted.

15 March, 1363–4. F. Peter de Ultra Aquam, a monk of Lire, presented by abbot to Carisbrooke priory, and instituted.

Wykeham's Register.

20 June, 1371. F. Thomas de Valle Osoul, a monk of Lire, presented by abbot to Carisbrooke priory on death of Peter de Ultra Aquam,[1] and instituted.

10 Aug., 1375. F. William Foxele, a monk of Chertsey, collated to Hamble priory[2] on a lapse.

23 Oct., 1399. F. Nicholas Gwyn, a monk, presented to Andover priory[3] by the king, on death of Denys Canoun, and instituted.

12 Jan., 1400–1. F. Odo de Ulmis, a monk of Lire, presented by abbot to Carisbrooke priory[4] on death of Thomas de Valle Osoul, and admitted.—Esher, 26 Sept., 1401.

[**40 a.**] *Fieri facias* against John prior of Reygate, as r. of Dorking, for £51, arrears of 13 marks yearly rent due to prior of Lewes. Tested by W. Thirnyng at Westminster, 23 Nov., 3 Hen. IV (1401).

[**41 b.**] Commission to archdeacon of Surrey to execute above writ; and official's return of service and sequestration issued 18 Jan., same year.

Writ of summons to parliament at Westminster on the Monday next before the Purification. Tested at Westminster, 2 Dec., 3 Hen. IV (1401).

[**41 b.**] Writ discharging above summons, on the ground of the scarcity of corn, and the price rising owing to the wet season :—

[1] Vol. i, p. 39. [2] *Ib.*, p. 62. [3] *Ib.*, 220. [4] *Ib.*, 230.

Henricus, etc. Licet nuper pro quibusdam arduis negociis etc. Nos tamen, considerantes magnam et excessivam caristiam granorum, que ubique infra dictum regnum nostrum ad presens existit, et ex continuacione diversarum tempestatum et crebrarum pluviarum maximè citra tempus summonicionis parliamenti predicti plus solitò ingruencium verisimiliter, quod absit, accrescere formidatur, necnon immensa et gravia onera et labores que ligei nostri regni nostri predicti hactenus diversimodè sustinuerunt, et eos occasione dicti parliamenti, si teneretur, sustinere oporteret, in verisimilem depauperacionem eorundem ligeorum nostrorum, ac eorum statui pio compacientes affectu, et ut ipsi corda assumant hillariora erga nos in fide et dileccione fideliter permanere, volumus ex causis premissis pro quiete et tranquillitate ligeorum nostrorum predictorum, quorum sumus et semper esse intendimus in singulis eorum necessitatibus continui protectores, pro statu et defensione predictis de advisamento consilii nostri, quousque aliud parliamentum, cum indiguerit, quieciùs pro ligeis nostris tenere poterimus, favente Deo, salubriter ordinare, dictumque parliamentum in formâ predictâ summonitum ad diem predictum ex mero motu nostro teneri nolumus istâ vice, sed quod vos et omnes alii et singuli prelati, magnates, et alii ligei nostri, qui ad parliamentum predictum pretextu brevium nostrorum in hâc parte factorum, venire debuissent, ad veniendum ad idem parliamentum sitis penitus excusati istâ vice. Que omnia et singula tenore presencium vobis significamus. Tested at Eltham, 12 Jan., 3 Hen. IV (1401–2).

Writ tested by J. Cokayn at Westminster, 1 Feb., 3 Hen. IV, and return that the prior and convent of Bisham, at the time when a tenth and half-tenth were granted in the last convocation, were, and still are, appropriators of the church of Kingsclere.

Writ for a return of vicars of Wandsworth since 1 Ed. III; tested at Westminster, 26 Feb., 3 Hen. IV. Return:—Thomas de Sudbury was vicar in 1 Ed. III; then Robert Midlyngtone, John Langetone, Walter atte Hulle, Richard Sutton, Ralph Caperone, Henry Idbury, John Spynke of Langham, Simon Bartone, William Scot, Thomas Yoncflete, and John Galays, the present vicar.

[42 b.] Writ of *vendicioni exponas*, to sell in the presence of the justices of assize at Westminster sundry ecclesiastical goods value £8 of the rector of Dorking (John, prior of Reygate), and to sequestrate his goods for £43, residue of £51, arrears of pension due to prior of Lewes, and £20 owing to the prior of Lewes as damages for delay in payments, tested at Westminster, 29 Jan., 3 Hen. IV.

Return by the bishop, enclosing following return from the official :—Auctoritate mandati ego officialis antedictus huiusmodi bona ecclesiastica, de quibus in mandato vestro fit mencio, vendicacioni exponere non potui, pro eo et ex eo, quod ds. Johannes Bray, vicarius ecclesie de Reygate, et Ricardus Rokenham ac ds. Stephanus, vicarius de Dorkyng, et Willelmus Palmer, de Dorkyng antedictâ, prefata bona exponere vendicacioni me impediverunt, dictum verò priorem personam ecclesie de Dorkyng peremptoriè non citavi, pro eo, quod eundem priorem infra jurisdiccionem archidiaconatûs Surreiensis non potui invenire, etc.

[45 a.] *Alias* writ of *vendicioni exponas* in same matter; and return that a sale could not be effected owing to resistance of vicars of Reygate and Dorking and other persons.

[43 a.] Prohibition granted, where proceedings had been commenced in the consistory court against officers who arrested a clerk on a criminal charge.

Henricus, etc., venerabili patri Willelmo, etc., et eius officiali, ac eorum commissariis, salutem. Cum Johannes Dene in curiâ nostrâ ville Sutht. coram maiore et ballivis eiusdem ville, secundum consuetudinem ville predicte, sine brevi nostro implacitasset Johannem Beausu, alias dictum Johannem Bakere, capellanum, de eo, quod idem Johannes Beausu domum predicti Johannis Dene apud Sutht. fregit et Agnetem uxorem eiusdem Deme ibidem rapuit, et bona et catalla sua ad valenciam xx *li.* ibidem inventa cepit et asportavit, ac per processum in curiâ nostrâ predictâ in hâc parte habitum quidam ministri nostri ville predicte prefatum Johannem Beausu ad respondendum prefato Johanni Dene super premissis, et ad standum rectò inde, secundum legem et consuetudinem regni nostri Anglie arestare voluissent, iidemque ministri, pro eo quod idem Johannes Beausu ex causis

predictis se arestari non permittens, arestacioni illi vi non modicâ resistebat, assumptâ sed potestate diversorum fidelium nostrorum per eosdem ministros nostros ad hoc requisicionem, prefatum Johannem Beausu manu forti arestassent, et prisone nostre ibidem commisissent, ipseque Johannes Beausu in eâdem prisonâ ex causâ predictâ hucusque detentus existat, ut accepimus.

Iamque intelleximus, quod vos ad prosecucionem Johannis Beausu vobis suggerentis, tam predictos ministros, quam alios predictos, qui ipsum Johannem Beausu, ut predictum est, arestarunt, manus violentas in eundem Johannem Beausu in hâc parte injecisse, omnes illos qui arestacioni illi interfuerunt, seu de consensu eiusdem extiterunt, trahatis inde in placitum coram vobis in curiâ christianitatis, ipsosque eâ occasione tam per censuras ecclesiasticas, quam alio modo, multipliciter inquietetis minus justè, in nostri contemptum, etc.

Et quia non est juri consonum, quod quis pro hiis, que de jure et secundum legem et consuetudinem regni nostri Anglie rite fuerint, trahatur in placitum, seu aliqualiter pregravetur:

Vobis prohibemus, ne quicquam in hâc parte, quod in nostri contemptum vel prejudicium, aut ipsorum ministrorum nostrorum, seu aliorum predictorum dampnum in hâc parte cedere valeat, attemptetur seu faciatis aliqualiter attemptari.

Et si quid in premissis attemptaveritis, id sine dilacione revocetis, seu revocari faciatis, sub periculo quod incumbit. Tested at Westminster, 14 April, 3 Hen. IV (1402).

[**43 b.**] Consultation granted on above prohibition. Tested at Westminster, 1 May, 3 Hen. IV.

Writ of summons to a parliament at Westminster, on the morrow of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Tested at Westminster, 19 June, 3 Hen. IV (1402).

[**44 a.**] Prorogation of said parliament to morrow of St. Michael's. Tested at Westminster, 14 Aug., 3 Hen. IV (1402).

Priors of Winchester and Merton commissioned to collect the tenth and half-tenth granted by convocation at St. Paul's, 21 Oct. Waltham, 13 Feb., 1402–3.

[**44 b.**] Writ to certify whether prioress and convent of Wintney are appropriators of church of Herriard. Tested at

Westminster, 25 Oct., 4 Hen. IV; and return in the affirmative, dated Waltham, 7 Nov., 1403.

Return that the house of St. Cross near Winchester is a hospital of poor persons, heavily burdened, which ought to be exonerated from tenths. *Ib.*, 20 June, 1402.

[45 b.] Commission to abbot of Hyde to collect in city and archdeaconry of Winchester the moiety of a tenth granted 6 October, from all taxed benefices, Wintney priory and St. Cross hospital excluded, pursuant to writ tested at Westminster, 12 October, 5 Hen. IV.[1] Waltham, 19 Oct., 1403.

[46 a.] Writ to appoint collectors of the tenth granted by convocation 21 April, tested at Westminster, 17 May, 5 Hen. IV; appointment of prior of Mottisfont and abbot of Bermondsey, and return of their names into the Exchequer, dated 12 June.

[46 b.] *Levari facias de bonis ecclesiasticis* for 49*s.* 9*d.*, arrears of tenth granted in 3 Ric. II from r. of Whippingham; 3*s.* 4*d.*, arrears of tenth granted in 4 Ric. II from r. of Worting; 4*s.* 4*d.*, arrears of moiety of tenth granted in 16 Ric. II; 8*s.* 8*d.*, arrears of tenth granted in 21 Ric. II from r. of Hacche; also 24*s.* 8*d.*, arrears for 6, 7, 9, 10 and 12 Ric. II. Tested at Westminster, 10 June, 3 Hen. IV (1402).

Return of *nulla bona* in the above cases.

Pluries levari facias de bonis ecclesiasticis against Nicholas Danyel and William Bulcote for £8. 13*s.* 4*d.*, balance of £21. 16*s.* 2*d.*, due for arrears of rent of Andover priory prior to 15 Nov., 1 Ric. II,[2] tested at Westminster, 12 July, 5 Hen. IV.

Return of [47 a.] *nulla bona* as regards Danyel, and that Bulcote is not beneficed in the diocese.

Writ of summons to a parliament at Coventry, 6 Oct. Tested at Westminster, 25 Aug., 5 Hen. IV (1404).

[1] Hospitals and poor nunneries in the province of Canterbury and benefices in Wales and the Marches destroyed in Glendower's rebellion are exempted by this and the next writ.

[2] The prior, Nicholas Gwyn (vol. i, p. 298, vol. ii, p. 615), had procured a regrant of the priory, which had been sequestrated amongst other alien priories under Edward III, upon condition that the priory should render to the king the same rent or tribute during war with France as it had rendered to the parent monastery prior to the war.

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APPENDIX I.

An Itinerary of the Bishop.

1367.—London (consecration at St. Paul's), Oct. 10. Southwark, Oct. 14, 16, 20, 22, 25; Nov. 2, 5, 16, 17, 20, 24, 25; Dec. 2, 4, 7, 8, 9. Esher, Dec. 9. Southwark, Dec. 20, 21.

1368.—Southwark, Jan. 3, 8, 14, 18, 19, 20, 22, 28; Feb. 11, 12, 13, 15, 18, 20, 21, 23, 25, 26, 27; Mar. 15, 16, 21, 22, 23. Esher, April 7, 18, 20, 21. Southwark, April 26, 28; May 13, 20, 23. Esher, June 2, 3. Farnham, June 20. Southwark, July 1. Wolvesey, July 9. Hursley, July 16. Wolvesey, July 17, 18. Farnham, July 24. Hursley, Aug. 1. Highclere, Sept. 7. Brightwell, Sept. 19. Wargrave, Sept. 20, 25. Southwark, Oct. 17, 19, 27, 30, 31; Nov. 1, 2. Esher, Nov. 17, 18. Southwark, Nov. 21, 22, 25. Esher, Dec. 9, 16. Farnham, Dec. 22, 23, 24.

1369.—Farnham, Jan. 3, 5. Southwark, Jan. 13, 14, 26; Feb. 2, 8, 24; Mar. 1. Farnham, Mar. 16, 17, 20. Esher, Mar. 21. Farnham, April 5. Southwark, April 16, 17. Lambeth, April 19. Southwark, April 26; May, 15, 17. Esher, May 21, 26. Southwark, May 28; June 2, 9, 21, 22, 25; July 1, 6, 8. Lambeth, July 19. Southwark, July 25, 26; Aug. 16. Esher, Aug. 25. Farnham, Sept. 13. Wolvesey, Sept. 18, 22. Southwark, Oct. 4, 6, 9, 12, 30; Nov. 6, 9, 12, 16, 26, 28; Dec. 2, 8. Esher, Dec. 17, 19, 22. Southwark, Dec. 28.

1370.—Esher, Jan. 1. Farnham, Jan. 1. Esher, Jan. 8. Southwark, Jan. 21, 22, 23, 24, 29; Feb. 1, 3. Westminster, Feb. 4. Southwark, Feb. 5, 6, 8, 9, 13, 14. Esher, Feb. 21; Mar. 2. Farnham, Mar. 7, 9, 14. Esher, Mar. 24, 25, 26, 30; April 5. Southwark, April 8, 9, 16, 18, 24, 26. London, April 28. Southwark, May 16, 18, 23, 24, 26, 28, 29; June 10, 20, 21; July 6. Wolvesey, July 13. Farnham, July 15. Downton, July 26. Waltham, July 30. Downton, July 31. Clarendon, Aug. 11. Downton, Aug. 12, 13, 15. Southwark, Aug. 16. Merdon, Aug. 17. Waltham, Aug. 20, 21, 22, 25, 28, 31; Sept. 8. Marwell, Sept. 9. Waltham, Sept. 10, 12. Highclere, Sept. 19, 21,

23, 24. Southwark, Oct. 6, 17, 20, 21, 25, 27, 28, 30; Nov. 2, 3, 4, 6, 11, 18, 25. Waltham, Nov. 27; Dec. 1. Southwark, Dec. 2. Esher, Dec. 8. Waltham, Dec. 10. Esher, Dec. 14. Waltham, Dec. 18. Esher, Dec. 21, 22, 26.

1371.—Southwark, Jan. 18, 24, 25, 27. Wolvesey, Jan. 30. Waltham, Feb. 10, 15, 18, 28; Mar. 8, 10, 11, 12, 14, 24, 26. Southwark, Mar. 30. Esher, Mar. 31; April 7. Southwark, April 8. Esher, April 9, 11. Southwark, April 17. Esher, April 18. Southwark, April 18, 21, 27; May 2. Guildford, May 7, 11. Farnham, May 19, 21, 22, 23, 25, 31. Wolvesey, June 18, 20. Farnham, July 2. Esher, July 21. Southwark, July 25. Farnham, July 30; Aug. 7, 9. Waltham, Aug. 12; Sept. 13, 20. Farnham, Sept. 25. Southwark, Oct. 3, 6, 12, 20, 21; Nov. 3. Waltham, Nov. 11, 12, 13, 15, 27; Dec. 1, 10, 11, 13, 14, 18, 20.

1372.—Highclere, Jan. 6, 7. Esher, Jan. 11. Southwark, Jan. 26, 27. Esher, Jan. 21. Burghclere, Feb. 10. Waltham, Feb. 17, 21. Southwark, Feb. 22. Waltham, Mar. 4, 5, 7, 13, 14, 17, 22, 23. Southwark, Mar. 25; April 1, 5, 10, 11, 14, 21, 24, 28. Wolvesey, May 1. Southwark, May 3. Esher, May 5, 22. Farnham, May 23, 26, 30. Southwark, May 31; June 1, 6, 12, 16. Highclere, June 27, 28. Farnham, July 1. Highclere, July 4. Farnham, July 12. Southwark, July 20. Wolvesey, July 22. Southwark, July 25. Farnham, Aug. 2, 7. Wolvesey, Aug. 14. Waltham, Aug. 20. Wolvesey, Aug. 22, 25; Sept. 4, 6, 15, 19, 26; Oct. 2. Southwark, Oct. 14, 19. Esher, Nov. 1. Southwark, Nov. 5, 6, 13, 18, 20, 30; Dec. 9. Esher, Dec. 10. Highclere, Dec. 11. Farnham, Dec. 12. Highclere, Dec. 17, 18.

1373.—Highclere, Jan. 2, 6, 19, 28; Feb. 3. Southwark, Feb. 12. Farnham, Feb. 18. Southwark, Feb. 21. Highclere, Mar. 1, 9. Wolvesey, Mar. 11, 12, 13. Highclere, Mar. 15, 16, 17, 23, 29; April 2, 4, 9, 12, 14. Southwark, April 24, 27, 30; May 2, 4, 8, 10. Highclere, May 17, 26, 27, 30; June 3, 9. Waltham, June 29. Christchurch, July 4. Downton, July 7. Wolvesey, July 8, 10, 16. Highclere, July 24, 29. Marwell, Sept. 1. Waltham, Sept. 4, 6. Bishop's Sutton, Sept. 17. Farnham, Sept. 24. Esher, Oct. 1, 4. Southwark, Oct. 18. London, Oct. 21. Farnham, Oct. 22; Nov. 8. Southwark, Nov. 11. Farnham, Nov. 12, 21, 23; Dec. 14, 17, 19.

1374.—Farnham, Jan. 9, 16. Wolvesey, Feb. 20, 25. Southwark, Mar. 17. Wolvesey, April 5. Farnham, April 7. London, April 10. Southwark, April 11. Farnham, April 14. Southwark, April 25, 27; May 1. Esher, May 24. Southwark, May 26. Highclere, June 1.

Southwark, June 9, 24. Westminster, July 8. Guildford, July 11, 12. Highclere, July 17. Wolvesey, July 18. Downton, Aug. 1. Highclere, Aug. 5, 29, 30; Sept. 8, 9, 10, 16, 17, 19, 23. Esher, Oct. 5. Southwark, Oct. 14, 18, 19, 22. Farnham, Oct. 23. Esher, Nov. 2, 12. Southwark, Nov. 18. Esher, Nov. 19. Highclere, Nov. 25; Dec. 1, 2, 4, 7, 8, 11, 13, 15, 16, 20, 22, 27, 28.

1375.—Highclere, Jan. 7. Southwark, Jan. 23, 26. Esher, Jan. 29. Guildford, Jan. 31. Esher, Feb. 1. Southwark, Feb. 10, 11. Esher, Feb. 17. Southwark, Feb. 18, 20, 25. Esher, Mar. 9, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18. Southwark, Mar. 20. Esher, Mar. 27; April 14, 18, 20, 30; May 7, 22, 23, 24, 25, 30. Southwark, June 2. Esher, June 16. Southwark, July 2. Esher, July 2. Waltham, July 3. Farnham, July 10, 12, 13. Southwark, July 16, 28, 31. Farnham, Aug. 1. Waltham, Aug. 7, 20. Marwell, Aug. 22. Waltham, Aug. 24, 27, 28; Sept. 1, 3, 6, 14. Farnham, Sept. 18. Esher, Sept. 20, 22. Southwark, Sept. 24, 27. Esher, Sept. 30. Southwark, Oct. 11, 12. Esher, Oct. 15. Farnham, Oct. 16, 21, 24, 30; Nov. 1, 3. Southwark, Nov. 17, 19, 22. Esher, Nov. 30; Dec. 2. London, Dec. 13. Farnham, Dec. 14. Esher, Dec. 20. Farnham, Dec. 22, 26.

1376.—Farnham, Jan. 2, 3. Highclere, Jan. 8. Southwark, Jan. 12, 27, 28, 30; Feb. 1, 3, 12. Esher, Feb. 23, 24. Southwark, Feb. 25. Wargrave, Feb. 28. Highclere, Mar. 8, 14, 17. Kingsclere, Mar. 17. Highclere, Mar. 18, 20. Esher, Mar. 24. Southwark, Mar. 26. Highclere, April 4, 8, 10, 16. Esher, April 25. Southwark, April 27; May 3, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 17, 26, 27; June 6, 14, 19, 26, 28, 30; July 2, 5, 16. London, July 16. Farnham, July 24, 30. Waltham, Aug. 5. Wolvesey, Aug. 8. Waltham, Aug. 9, 11, 20, 22; Sept. 5, 9, 12. Southwark, Sept. 28, 30. Esher, Oct. 13, 14. Southwark, Oct. 22, 23, 28; Nov. 3, 7, 13, 14, 20, 22, 24, 26; Dec. 1, 4, 11. Merton, Dec. 20.

1377.—Southwark, Jan. 4. Merton, Jan. 4, 5, 7. Wolvesey, Jan. 11. Newark priory, Jan. 21. Wolvesey, Feb. 1, 2, 4. Crondall, Feb. 11, 12, 14. Southwark, Feb. 18, 20, 23, 25, 28; Mar. 2, 3, 8, 10, 13, 15, 19, 26, 31; April 4, 8, 11, 13, 16, 28; May 4, 8, 23, 30; June 1, 4, 5, 10, 12, 15, 19, 28; July 4, 6, 9, 12, 18, 20, 21, 24, 30; Aug. 8. Farnham, Aug. 22. Waltham, Aug. 26. Esher, Sept. 19. Southwark, Sept. 20. Farnham, Sept. 26. Southwark, Oct. 3. Highclere, Oct. 4, 5. Esher, Oct. 11. Southwark, Oct. 13, 14, 31; Nov. 4, 13, 18, 21, 27, 30; Dec. 1. Farnham, Dec. 5. Southwark, Dec. 6. Esher, Dec. 10. Farnham, Dec. 19, 23.

1378.—Farnham, Jan. 6. Wolvesey, Jan. 17, 20. Southwark,

Jan. 27. Farnham, Feb. 2, 7, 14. Wolvesey, Mar. 5, 8, 9, 11, 13, 17, 18, 20. Southwark, April 8. Wolvesey, April 12, 13, 16, 17. Farnham, April 18. Wolvesey, April 21. Southwark, April 30; May 1, 8, 10, 12. Esher, May 26, 29; June 2. Farnham, June 6. Southwark, June 11. Wolvesey, June 18, 25, 30; July 3, 8, 9. Highclere, July 14; Aug. 30; Sept. 3, 11. Windsor, Sept. 14. Farnham, Sept. 18. Highclere, Oct. 5, 10, 11. Podesmede, Oct. 22. Gloucester, Oct. 31. Highclere, Nov. 19. Farnham, Nov. 22. Southwark, Dec. 8, 10, 11. Esher, Dec. 12. Highclere, Dec. 16, 18, 20, 22.

1379.—Highclere, Jan. 3, 7. Farnham, Jan. 8. Southwark, Jan. 20, 26; Feb. 5, 13, 15, 25. Wolvesey, Feb. 25, 26. Southwark, Mar. 4, 15, 19. London, Mar. 21. Wolvesey, Mar. 25, 26, 30; April 6, 8, 9, 12, 13, 15. Esher, April 17. Southwark, April 29; May 6, 7, 22, 23, 25; June 9, 11, 22, 27; July 8, 23; Aug. 5, 17, 21, 22; Sept. 1, 12, 24. Highclere, Oct. 1; Southwark, Oct. 3, 17, 18, 20, 28; Nov. 4, 7, 29; Dec. 1. Esher, Dec 17.

1380.—Esher, Jan. 7, 9. Southwark, Jan. 12, 23, 31; Feb. 6, 10, 15, 18, 22, 24, 25, 26, 28. Waltham, Mar. 1. Southwark, Mar. 5. Esher, Mar. 7. Farnham, Mar. 10, 12, 13, 16, 17, 19, 22; April 17, 19, 21. Southwark, May 1, 2, 8. Farnham, May 16. Highclere, May 28; June 1, 2, 5. Southwark, June 19. Esher, June 28. Southwark, July 4. Highclere, July 12, 18, 23, 28, 30. Waltham, Aug. 6. Farnham, Aug. 12. Southwark 29, 31. Highclere, Sept. 19, 20, 21, 22; Oct. 4, 5, 10, 16, 25, 26. Blisworth, Nov. 9. Northampton, Nov. 12, 16. Blisworth, Dec. 4. Highclere, Dec. 18, 20, 22.

1381.—Highclere, Jan. 7, 9. Farnham, Jan. 11. Esher, Jan. 20, 21, 25, 26. Southwark, Jan. 31; Feb. 3, 4, 5. Esher, Feb. 6; Mar. 2, 6. Farnham, Mar. 9, 16. Southwark, Mar. 30; April 1. Esher, April 7. Farnham, April 16. Southwark, May 3, 6. Esher, May 20, 25, 30; June 5, 6, 7, 8. Southwark, June 20, 22; July 4, 12. Farnham, July 23; Aug. 1, 5. Wargrave, Aug. 6. Farnham, Aug. 12, 18, 20, 21, 31; Sept. 1. Downton, Sept. 22. Highclere, Sept. 27. Overton, Oct. 2. Alton, Oct. 12. Esher, Oct. 20. Merton, Oct. 24. Esher, Oct. 29. Southwark, Nov. 11, 12, 18, 21, 22, 23, 26, 29; Dec. 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9. Highclere, Dec. 20, 21.

1382.—Southwark, Jan. 21, 24, 26, 27, 29; Feb. 11, 13, 18, 24. Wolvesey, Mar. 13, 14, 15, 22, 27, 28, 29; April 1. Esher, April 28; May 3. Southwark, May 15, 18. Esher, May 19. Southwark, May 21. Esher, June 6, 9. Southwark, June 12, 14, 19. Esher, June 24, 28; July 19, 20, 25. Wargrave, July 30. Witney, Aug. 2, 8. Highclere, Aug. 22, 31; Sept. 9. Wargrave, Sept. 13, 19. Southwark,

Oct. 2. Esher, Oct. 2, 3. Southwark, Oct. 22, 24, 27, 30; Nov. 4. Highclere, Dec. 4, 16, 20.

1383.—Southwark, Jan. 9, 12, 21, 24, 25, 31. Esher, Feb. 7, 15, 18, 23. Southwark, Feb. 24, 25; Mar. 1. Esher, Mar. 7. Southwark, Mar. 11. Marwell, Mar. 26. Wolvesey, April 24. Esher, May 15, 16, 23, 26, 27. Farnham, June 3, 21, 25, 26, 30; July 12, 16, 17. Southwark, July 26. Farnham, July 28. Waltham, Aug. 22; Sept. 2. Esher, Sept. 8. Southwark, Sept. 12. Waltham, Sept. 16, 19. Farnham, Sept. 27. Esher, Oct. 11, 19. Southwark, Oct. 30; Nov. 2, 5, 10. Winchester, Nov. 13. Southwark, Nov. 14, 17, 18, 20, 28; Dec. 4. Farnham, Dec. 14, 15, 19, 25, 29.

1384.—Esher, Jan. 19, 26; Feb. 26. Farnham, Mar. 5. Wolvesey, Mar. 24. Marwell, Mar. 26. Wolvesey, April 12. Marwell, April 14, 16, 18. St. Nicholas hospital, New Sarum, May 17. Highclere, June 4. Esher, June 26. Southwark, July 12, 17, 19, 20, 26, 28, 29. Esher, Aug. 8, 23. Farnham, Sept. 18, 21, 24, 27. Southwark, Oct. 1. Farnham, Oct. 5. Esher, Oct. 27; Nov. 2, 3. Southwark, Nov. 14, 15, 16, 23; Dec. 2, 8, 13, 15. Farnham, Dec. 23.

1385.—Esher, Jan. 12. Southwark, Jan. 23, 26. Farnham, Feb. 12, 14. Waltham, Feb. 20, 25. Esher, Mar. 4. Southwark, Mar. 6, 10. Marwell, Mar. 14. Farnham, Mar. 19. Wolvesey, Mar. 24. Farnham, April 5, 10, 14, 28. Southwark, May 5. Esher, May 10. Reading, May 14. Wargrave, May 15. Esher, May 22, 25. Farnham, June 2. Southwark, June 10, 14. Esher, June 24, 26; July 2. Farnham, July 7, 19; Aug. 1, 7, 9. Southwark, Aug. 21, 27. Farnham, Sept. 9, 23, 28, 30; Oct. 13. Esher, Oct. 20. Farnham, Oct. 24. Southwark, Oct. 28, 30. Winchester, Nov. 8, 9. Southwark, Dec. 4, 23.

1386.—Farnham, Jan. 10. Southwark, Jan. 19, 23; Feb. 4, 10, 15. Newark priory, Mar. 3. Esher, Mar. 17. Southwark, Mar. 24. Bishop's Sutton, April 4. Waltham, April 8. Wolvesey, April 13, 20. Waltham, April 30. Farnham, May 5. Esher, May 11, 20. Southwark, May 20; June, 6, 15. Esher, June 16, 21. Marwell, July 20, 23. Crawley, July 29. Marwell, Aug. 15. Farnham, Aug. 27. Southwark, Sept. 20; Oct. 5, 6, 15, 19, 22, 25, 31; Nov. 1, 7, 16, 21; Dec. 6. Esher, Dec. 20, 22, 31.

1387.—Southwark, Jan. 11, 27; Feb. 6, 7, 8, 9, 18, 19; Mar. 2, 4, 9, 16. Farnham, Mar. 17. Marwell, Mar. 21. Wolvesey, April 9, 10. Farnham, April 19. Southwark, April 22. Esher, May 1, 4, 7, 22; June 3, 4. Southwark, June 7, 11, 14, 15, 21, 23, 28, 29; July 4, 10, 13, 20. Esher, Aug. 1, 3, 7, 9. Marwell, Aug. 20, 24, 29; Sept. 19. Southwark, Oct. 18, 28; Nov. 11, 20, 28; Dec. 1, 7, 12, 13, 14, 16.

1388.—Southwark, Jan. 2, 5, 11, 17; Feb. 6, 13, 20, 22, 24, 27, 28; Mar. 13, 15. Esher, Mar. 31; April 2, 8; Southwark, April 18, 20, 24; May 5, 26, 29; June 5, 7, 9, 13, 16, 19. Esher, June 27. Southwark, July 2, 16. Fen Ditton, Sept. 12; Oct. 10, 13; Southwark, Nov. 5, 20, 27. Farnham, Dec. 16, 19, 26.

1389.—Farnham, Jan. 10, 12, 18, 20, 24, 26. Southwark, Feb. 6, 7, 26. Esher, Mar. 9. Farnham, Mar. 13. Wolvesey, April 17, 20. Farnham, April 23, 26. Southwark, May 12, 13, 23; June 9; July 4. Marwell, Sept. 18. Southwark, Sept. 29; Oct. 28; Nov. 2, 9, 26, 27. Esher, Dec. 18, 30.

1390.—Esher, Jan. 4. Southwark, Jan. 23, 25, 31; Feb. 3, 5, 6, 16, 23, 24; Mar. 1, 2, 5, 8. Esher, Mar. 19. Southwark, Mar. 20, 26. Wolvesey, April 5. Southwark, April 14, 19, 21, 26; May 13; June 1, 6, 13, 14; July 15; Esher, July 20, 23, 27; Aug. 13, 26; Sept. 19, 24, 25, 28. Southwark, Oct. 2, 23, 26. Esher, Dec. 17, 19, 20.

1391.—Southwark, Jan. 12, 18, 20, 25, 28; Feb. 12, 16. Esher, Feb. 20; Mar. 11. Farnham, Mar. 22. Southwark, April 22; May 4, 15, 17, 19, 21. Farnham, June 2. Southwark, June 13. Esher, July 7. Southwark, July 8, 18; Aug. 19; Sept. 19, 23. Esher, Sept. 30. Southwark, Oct. 4. Esher, Oct. 13. Southwark, Oct. 25, 30; Nov. 7. Esher, Nov. 8, 10, 20, 26, 27; Dec. 3. Farnham, Dec. 19, 23.

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1395.—Farnham, Jan. 2, 8, 9. Southwark, Feb. 3, 4, 9, 11, 15. Farnham, Feb. 27. Esher, Mar. 1. Marwell, Mar. 3, 6. Southwark, Mar. 8. Marwell, Mar. 9, 12, 16. Waltham, Mar. 20. Marwell, Mar. 26; April 1. Wolvesey, April 5, 6. Esher, April 27. Southwark, May 8. Esher, May 10. Farnham, May 24. Esher, June 4, 7. Southwark, June 9. Esher, June 25; July 3. Farnham, July 6, 12. Southwark, July 21. Marwell, Aug. 13, 14, 18, 19, 28; Sept. 17, 22. Esher, Oct. 15, 16. Southwark, Oct. 20, 21. Esher, Oct. 27; Nov. 3, 16, 18. Waltham, Dec. 20, 22, 30, 31.

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1398.—Highclere, Jan. 3, 10, 11, 14, 21, 25, 30, 31; Feb. 15, 17, 18, 19. Farnham, Feb. 23, 24, 27. Stoke (near Guildford), Mar. 5. Farnham, Mar. 6, 11. Southwark, Mar. 12. Farnham, Mar. 13, 19, 23, 28; April 1, 13. Esher, April 19. Southwark, April 25. Esher, April 26; May 1. London, May 1. Southwark, May 7, 18. Esher, May 27, 29; June 1, 2. Southwark, June 7. Esher, June 15, 17. Nottingham Castle, June 29. Esher, July 1. Farnham, July 13, 20.

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1399.—Farnham, Jan. 4, 6, 16. Bishopstoke, Jan. 17. Esher, Jan. 24; Feb. 12. Farnham, Feb. 22, 26, 27; Mar. 24; April 1, 10. Esher, April 11, 29; May, 14, 24; June 1. Southwark, June 9, 10. Esher, June 13. Southwark, June 20, 21. Esher, June 24. Farnham, June 28. Esher, July 10. Farnham, July 19, 23, 24, 25, 26; Aug. 4, 5, 10; Sept. 9, 20, 22, 23. Southwark, Oct. 4, 11, 23, 25, 29, 30; Nov. 3, 6, 8, 12, 14, 18, 24. London, Nov. 26. Southwark, Nov. 27, 28; Dec. 4. Waltham, Dec. 20, 23, 31.

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1401.—Farnham, Jan. 11, 12, 17. Esher, Jan. 27. Southwark, Jan. 28; Feb. 2, 6, 7, 10, 13, 22, 24, 28; Mar. 2, 6, 8, 11. Esher, Mar. 18. Farnham, Mar. 31; April 1, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 18, 19, 20; May 4, 6. Waltham, May 17, 25, 27; June 20, 25, 28, 29; July 1, 5, 6. Wolvesey, July 23, 24, 25, 26. Waltham, July 27; Aug. 2, 6. Esher, Aug. 15, 24; Sept. 3, 7, 8, 9, 11, 16, 22, 24, 26; Oct. 2, 5, 9, 21, 22, 26. Farnham, Nov. 5. 10. Waltham, Nov. 18, 30; Dec. 1, 4, 12, 16, 28.

1402.—Waltham, Jan. 3, 10, 31; Feb. 2, 3, 13, 17, 19; Mar. 7, 10, 22, 25, 31; April 19, 29; May 9, 12, 18, 22, 27, 28; June 1, 3, 8, 10, 14, 20, 23, 30; July 3, 14, 22, 29; Aug. 11, 12, 21; Sept. 14, 16, 18, 22, 26, 27, 30; Oct. 1, 9, 12, 14, 21, 23, 24, 27; Nov. 3, 4, 11, 17, 25, 26, 27; Dec. 3, 31.

1403.—Waltham, Jan. 3, 4, 11, 15, 20; Feb. 2, 10, 16, 24; Mar. 1, 3, 6, 11, 12, 13, 16, 18, 21, 28; April 6, 17, 23, 30; May 10, 11, 14, 19; June 6. Esher, June 14. Waltham, June 29; July 1. Esher, July 8. Waltham, July 12, 13, 17; Aug. 6, 13, 17, 25; Sept. 2, 3, 19,

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1404.—Waltham, Jan. 4, 10, 12, 18, 24, 26; Feb. 4, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, 25, 28; Mar. 1, 4, 8, 14, 27; April 6, 12, 15; May 4, 7, 9, 15, 21, 22, 29; June 1, 7, 12, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 28; July 1, 2, 8, 16, 21; Aug. 3, 4, 8, 16, 24, 29; Sept. 12, 13, 14, 23.

APPENDIX II.

Religious Houses, Hospitals, and Colleges, mentioned in Part III or IV of the Register, and not in Part I or II, with the dedications and annual values at the time of the Dissolution, where known.

APULBURTHORPE.—Apparently an error for Apuldercombe.

APULDERCOMBE, ISLE OF WIGHT.—A cell to the Benedictine abbey of St. Mary de Montisburg, in Normandy, founded about the latter end of the reign of Henry III, and dissolved with other alien priories in 2 Hen. V.

CAERLEON, MONMOUTHSHIRE.—Otherwise Caeruske, an abbey of the Cistercian order, founder unknown.

CAERMARTHEN.—A house of Friars Minors, said to be dependent on the house of that order at Bristol.

COLCHESTER, ESSEX.—The house of Friars-Minors here was founded in 1309 by Robert, Lord Fitzwalter, near the east gate of the town.

COVENTRY.—Friars-Minors were established here shortly after their coming into England in 1224, on a site given by Ranulph, earl of Chester, out of his manor of Cheylesmore.

DORE, HEREFORDSHIRE.—An abbey of the Cistercian order, founded by Robert de Ewyas, *temp.* Stephen. Dedication, the Virgin Mary. £118. 0*s.* 2*d.*

GRASTEIN, or GRESTEIN.—A Benedictine house, founded by Herlouin de Conteville about the year 1040, on a site near the mouth of the Seine.

GRAVE, PRIORY DE LA, HERTS.—An alien priory at Grovebury, in the parish of Leighton Buzzard, given by Henry II to the nuns of Fontevrault, in Normandy.

EASEBORNE, SUSSEX.—A priory for six Benedictine nuns under a prioress, founded by Sir John Bohun, of Midhurst, in the latter part of the reign of Henry III. £47. 3*s.* 0*d.*

HITCHIN, HERTS.—The Friars-Minors' house here is not mentioned by Tanner or Dugdale.

MALMESBURY, WILTS.—A religious house here was founded by a Scotch monk in the seventh century, and augmented by Aldhelm, the

first abbot, A.D. 675. It was of the Benedictine order. Dedication, St. Mary and St. Aldhelm. £803. 17*s.* 7*d.*

St. Dogmael's, Pembrokeshire.—A Benedictine house of the stricter discipline of Tiron, begun under William the Conqueror by Martin of Tours, and made an abbey by his son, Robert Fitzmartin. Dedication, St. Mary. £96. 0*s.* 2*d.*

St. Helen's, Isle of Wight.—A priory of the Cluniac order, founded before 1155, suppressed and granted in 7 Ed. IV. to Eton college, and after to Windsor collegiate church.

St. Julian's, Herts.—A hospital for leprous men on the London side of St. Albans, founded by Henry, sixteenth abbot of St. Alban's, *temp.* Henry I., maintaining a master and four chaplains.

St. Mary Rouncival, Charing Cross.—The chief house in England attached to the priory de Roscidâ Valle, in Navarre. It was endowed by William Mareschall, earl of Pembroke, under Henry III.

Sele, Sussex.—An alien priory near Shoreham, founded by William de Braose in the year 1075, as a cell to the monastery of St. Florent, in Anjou. It was made denizen in 19 Ric. II, but suppressed later and annexed to Magdalen College, Oxford. £26. 9*s.* 9*d.*

Selwood, Somerset.—Domus leprosorum de Selwode is mentioned by Tanner and Dugdale as existing in the year 1212.

Shrewsbury.—The Friars-Minors had a house here on the banks of the Severn, founded by Hawise, wife of Geoffrey Lord Powys, under Henry III.

Southampton.—The Friars-Minors were settled here in a house in the south-east of the town, next the town wall, in or before the year 1240.

Magdalen hospital for lepers was confirmed by Pope Alexander in 1179, and was annexed later to St. Denys priory.

Stafford.—St. Mary's free chapel royal in the Castle here is said by Tanner to have been dedicated to St. Nicholas. It was in the patronage of the heirs of Nicholas, Baron of Stafford, the founder.

Stamford.—Friars-Minors were established here before 1340 in a house said to be begun by one Fleming, and finished by an archdeacon of Richmond, name unknown.

Thetford, Norfolk.—The Friars-preachers house here is said to have been founded in the reign of Edward III. by Henry, earl, and afterwards duke, of Lancaster.

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